HEAVE-HO!
HEAVE-HO!
DUM
DUM
BUM
BUM
This festival, taking place every 15th September, dates back to the time when Kamakura was Japan's capital.
The Mask Festival: Nowadays a traditional festival at the Goryu Sanctuary near the city of Kamakura can still be found during which 10 men, elected beforehand, walk through town wearing masks...

Summary of the first volume:

In the year 1185 AD, during the bloody battle of Dan no ura, Shogun Minamoto's (Genji) army is able to exterminate the army defending the interests of the Taira Clan (Heiji).

Six years later, Tomoe, part of the Taira Clan, still harbours a boundless hatred towards the Genji.She meets Akube, survivor from the Heiji army, in order to ask him to help her get revenge.

They are soon joined by Ienaga, an inventor/warrior, friend of Akube...The three companions are however attacked by the Mask Clan, made up of soldiers returning from the Land of the Dead...

Only the sword Azamaru, worn by Akube, is capable of thwarting the attacks from those phantoms.

In the past, Azamaru is said to have belonged to the Gods of Japan...

# AZAMARU 2

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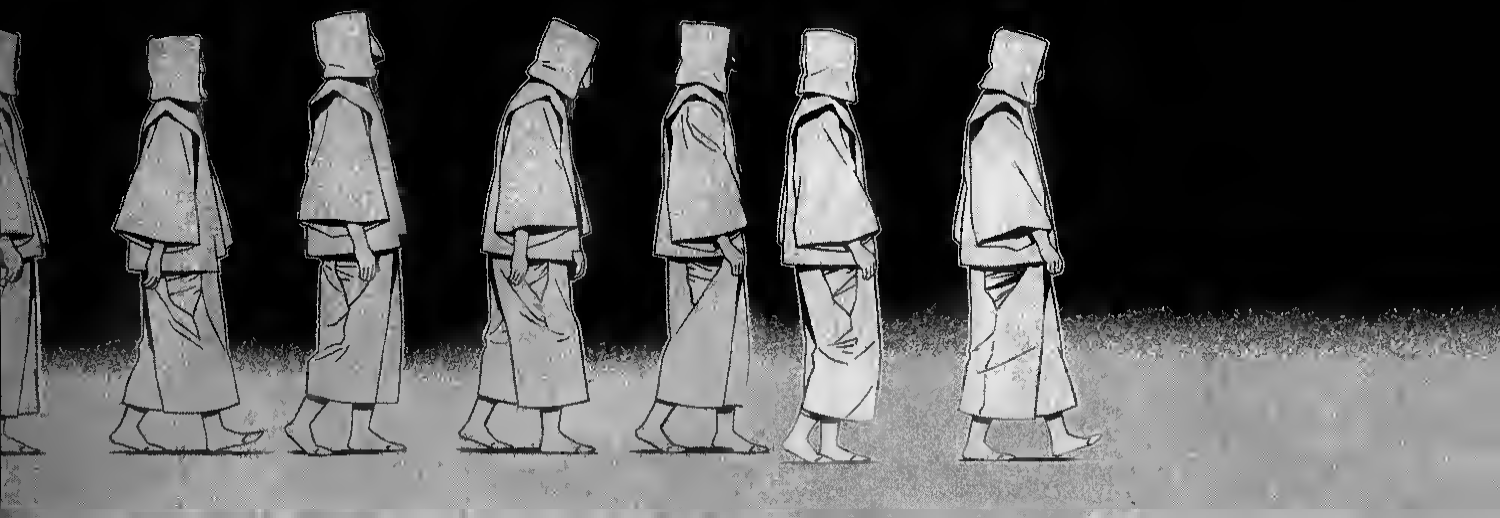
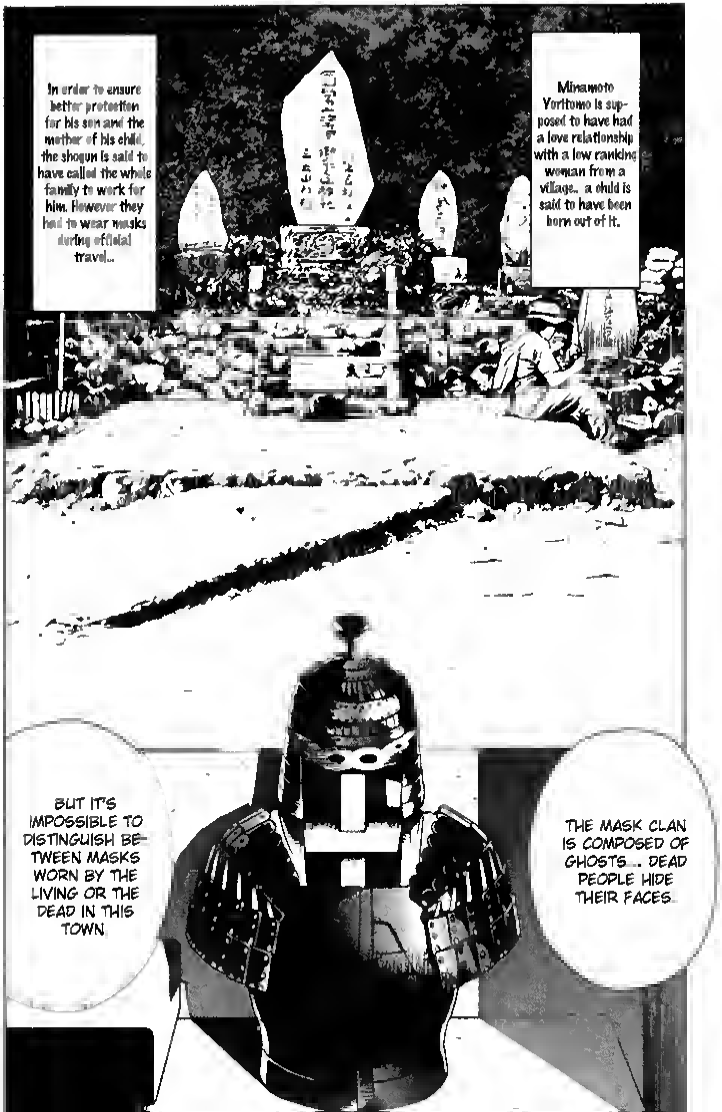
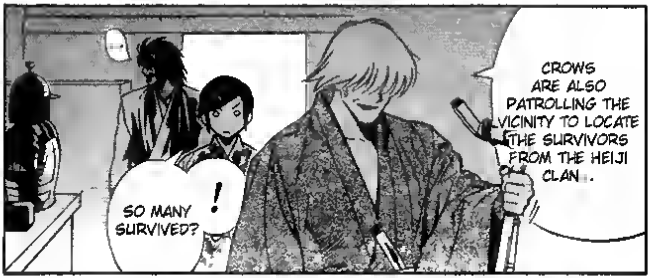


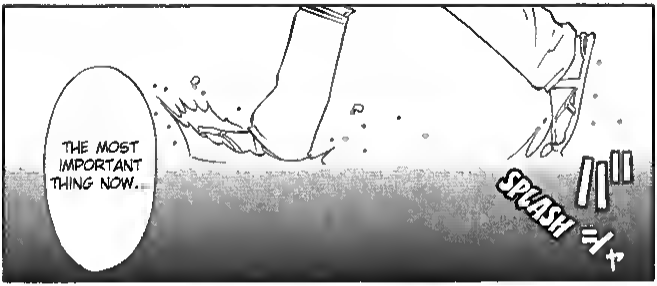

In order to ensure better protection for his son and the mother of his child, the shogun is said to have called the whole family to work for him. However they had to wear masks during official travel...
Minamoto Yoritomo is supposed to have had a love relationship with a low ranking woman from a village.. a child is said to have been born out of it.
BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN MASKS WORN BY THE LIVING OR THE DEAD IN THIS TOWN.
THE MASK CLAN IS COMPOSED OF GHOSTS... DEAD PEOPLE HIDE THEIR FACES.


CROWS ARE ALSO PATROLLING THE VICINITY TO LOCATE THE SURVIVORS FROM THE HEIJI CLAN..
SO MANY SURVIVED?
!

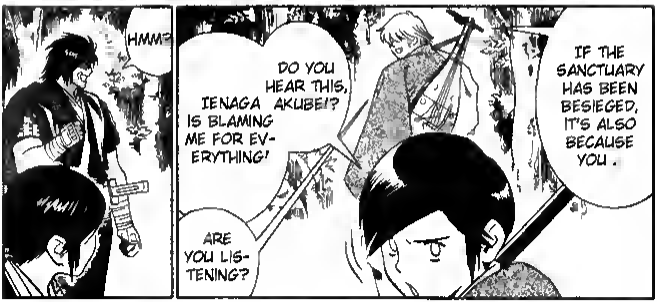
I HAD NO IDEA..
BANG
THE GENJI ARE AWARE OF IT!
BUT IN MY OPINION NOT MANY HEIJI REMAIN..

THEY ARE ALL DEAD,
EXTERMINATED BY THE MASKS OF GENJI..
MAKES ONE WONDER IF THEY REALLY WERE HUMAN ONCE...
STRANGE WAY TO MAKE FRIENDS!

THIS WAR IS NOT OVER YET.
IN SPITE OF ALL APPEARANCES...
UHH
Chapter 7: Shogun Asashi appears


THE MOST IMPORTANT THING NOW.
SPLASH ニャ

IF YOU HADN'T SLEPT ALL NIGHT, WE WOULDN'T BE LATE!
WHY ARE WE WALKING THEN?
IS TO STAY HIDDEN IN THIS FOREST DURING THE DAY AND TO MOVE OUT DURING THE NIGHT SO AS NOT TO ATTRACT THE CROWS' ATTENTION


HMM?
DO YOU HEAR THIS, IENAGA AKUBEI? IENAGA IS BLAMING ME FOR EVERYTHING!
ARE YOU LISTENING?
IF THE SANCTUARY HAS BEEN BESIEGED, IT'S ALSO BECAUSE YOU.

ER... YES, YES...
WHAT?
YOU WEREN'T LISTENING WERE YOU?

...
AKUBE, RELAX!
THOSE MONSTERS WON'T FOLLOW US HERE! OR SO I THINK.
...
THAT'S MARVEL-LOUS.
BING!
YOU MUST BE RIGHT
ESPECIALLY SINCE YOU DIDN'T PISS ON YOUR-SELF THIS TIME.
...

SPLASH!
YES! IN FACT, VERY HUNGRY!
WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A BREAK SOON...
YOU MUST BE HUNGRY
CLANG!
AKUBE! COME ON. HURRY UP!
MUNCH!

OH?
ARE YOU FINISHED, AKUBE?
HOW FAST!
HI HI HI HI!
BUT NOT YOURS
HI HI!
A REAL LITTLE WIFE! AH AH!
GAHER
BUT A BIG GUY LIKE YOU SHOULD EAT MORE!
JUST RELIEVING MYSELF OVER THERE ..
AKUBE? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
?

KEEP THIS IN RESERVE.
THANK YOU.
WE STILL HAVE A LONG ROAD AHEAD OF US.
VERY WELL...
AH! AKUBE YOUR...
OUT OF THE QUES-TION! THERE'S STILL A LONG JOURNEY AHEAD!
I WOULDN'T MIND ONE!
OKAY...
WHERE MIGHT THEY BE HIDING?
HMM...
GULP

ボシャッ
SPLATTER

YOU HAVE FOUND ME!
OH! I FOUND YOU NOW! OR ON THE CONTRARY...
?
IT DOESN'T MATTER.
UNLESS IT'S DUE TO THE POWERS OF YOUR DIVINE SWORD!
IF I HAD KNOWN IT WOULD BE THAT WAY... YOU LIVE UP TO YOUR REPUTATION!
CLANG
SURA
I SEE THAT YOU HAD THE COURAGE NOT TO ESCAPE...
CHUCKLE
YOU HAVE A LOT OF GUTS TO COME AT ME FROM THE FRONT.
CHUCKLE

KUSEKIO!!!
I NOTICE FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTERS...
YOU TOO, RIGHT.

EXACTLY...
THIS FELLOW IS NOT A SIMPLE SOLDIER!

GIVE!
TWANG
UGH!
THIS SOUND IS HORRIBLE!
AND BESIDES IT'S SO HEAVY!
TWANG
TWANG
SO HERE WE GO!
CLICK
WANT TO SEE HOW IT WORKS?
CLENCH
YOU DIDN'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING...
BAM
BAM

ズズー
CLICK
WOULD YOU LEND IT TO ME?
NOT ON YOUR LIFE! BUT I ALSO HAVE THIS IF YOU WANT...
HERE GOES THE LUTE WITH FIRE BALLS!
SWISH
.....
What do you want me to do with it?
EH? THAT THINGA-MAJIG?

YOU RECOGNIZED IT AT LAST?
BUT THIS SWORD...
TOMOMORI?
TAIRA NO TOMOMORI*?
YUB
THIS SWORD IS MORE VALUABLE THAN MY LUTE!
IT'S A TREASURE RETRIEVED FROM THE HEIJI... THE KOGARASU...
GRIP
I STOLE IT FROM TOMOMORI WHEN I LEFT THE HEIJI CLAN.
THAT MAY BE SO, BUT I PREFER YOUR LUTE!
FORGET IT! A NORMAL HUMAN WOULD DISLOCATE HIS SHOULDER BY USING IT.

...
LOOK FOR YOURSELF DISLOCATED! HEHEHE!
GNNTER
AND WHAT ABOUT YOUR SHOULDER THEN?
WHY ARE YOU STAYING WITH US?
YOU SAW THE MASKS, DIDN'T YOU?
MY LITTLE TOMOE, BY THE WAY...
WHAT?
...
YOU MAY BE DEAD BY TOMORROW...
I HOPE THAT YOU ARE AWARE OF RISKING YOUR LIFE AT ANY MOMENT!

AKUBE NEEDS SOMEONE TO SHOW HIM THE ROAD TO TAKE...
I'M HIS TOUR GUIDE IN A WAY
HMM... FOR DIFFERENT REASONS...
TWANG
ME?
AND YOU?
AT THE BEGINNING I WANTED HIS HELP TO AVENGE THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE
I...
MOREOVER, I STILL NEED HIM.
TWANG
AND BESIDES AKUBE IS A HOTHEAD, YOU KNOW... HE NEEDS SOMEONE WHO CAN CONTROL HIM A BIT
AND BY THE WAY, WHY ISN'T HE COMING BACK? AKUBE IS REALLY TAKING HIS TIME SPENDING A PENNY*!
PFFF! RUBBISH!
I JUST WANT TO WALK BY THE SIDE OF THE MAN I LOVE!
BUT NOW...
EVEN IF I DIE TOMORROW...

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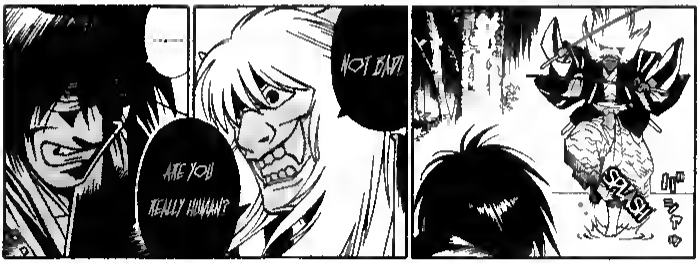
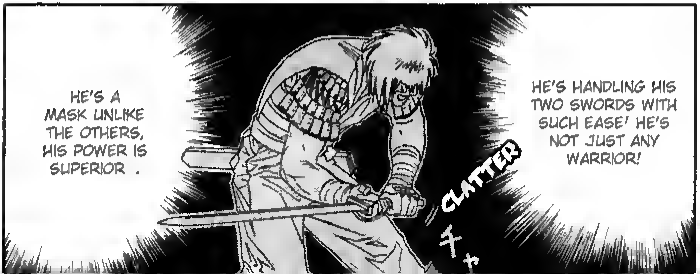
SHOVE
CRASH
OOH!!
HEHAAA!
BANG
THWACK
WHOOSH!

BAM


NOT BAD!
ARE YOU REALLY HUMAN?
SZUSH


HE'S A MASK UNLIKE THE OTHERS, HIS POWER IS SUPERIOR .
HE'S HANDLING HIS TWO SWORDS WITH SUCH EASE! HE'S NOT JUST ANY WARRIOR!
CLATTER

HOW AM I GOING TO FIGHT HIM...
WHO IS HE?
THIS GUY IS A TRUE WARRIOR! NOTHING TO DO WITH YOSHITSUNE'S UNDERLINGS!
GENJI!
I UNDERSTAND WHY YOSHITSUNE'S TROOPS COULDN'T DO A THING AGAINST YOU.
YOU DESERVE TO KNOW THE NAME OF YOUR MURDERER!
SWISH
GRABS
FINALLY I MEET MY MATCH!

SFX RISES

GRIND
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!!!
AKU BEEE EEE!
BAM
TOMOE!

SFX: SLASH

WH-!?
YOU'RE HURT...
YOU CUT IT?
HA!
STAY AWAY!
TOMOE!

BANG
BANG
WH-?!
BANG
BANG

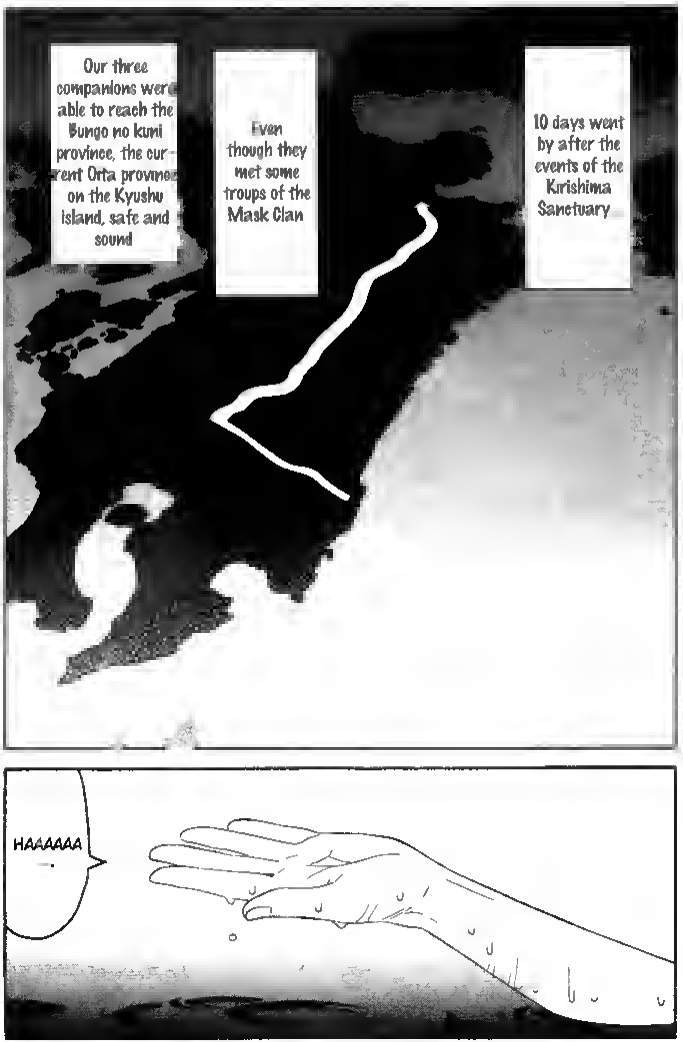
BLOCKS
BANG
HE STOPPED MY SHOTS?

PING
キッ
RAAH!
カッ カッ カッ
SLASH
WOOSH!

……
SWISH
SWISH
SWISH

AS YOU WISH.
WITH PLEA-SURE
GRAB
I'LL HAVE TO ACCEPT THE NEXT-TABLE TOWN JUST THIS ONCE
WE'LL SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN...
AH!
SLIDES
THIS MAN SEEMED TO KNOW ME
I'M AL-RIGHT
YES, YES...
HMM?
YE-
ARE YOU FINE?

TOMOE!
LET'S GO!
HE LOOKED DIFFERENT
How did he do it?
A LOT OF GENJI PEOPLE KNOW ME BUT...
.....
I'M COMING.
LET'S TAKE THE ROAD WITH AKUBE AGAIN
This is how our three companions continue their way to the Northern Territories...
The autumn's colours grew more intense.


Our three companions were able to reach the Bungo no kuni province, the current Oita province on the Kyushu island, safe and sound
Even though they met some troops of the Mask Clan
10 days went by after the events of the Kirishima Sanctuary
HAAAAAA

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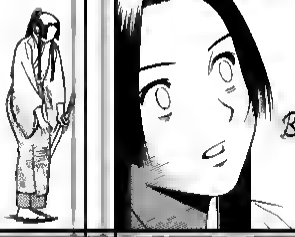

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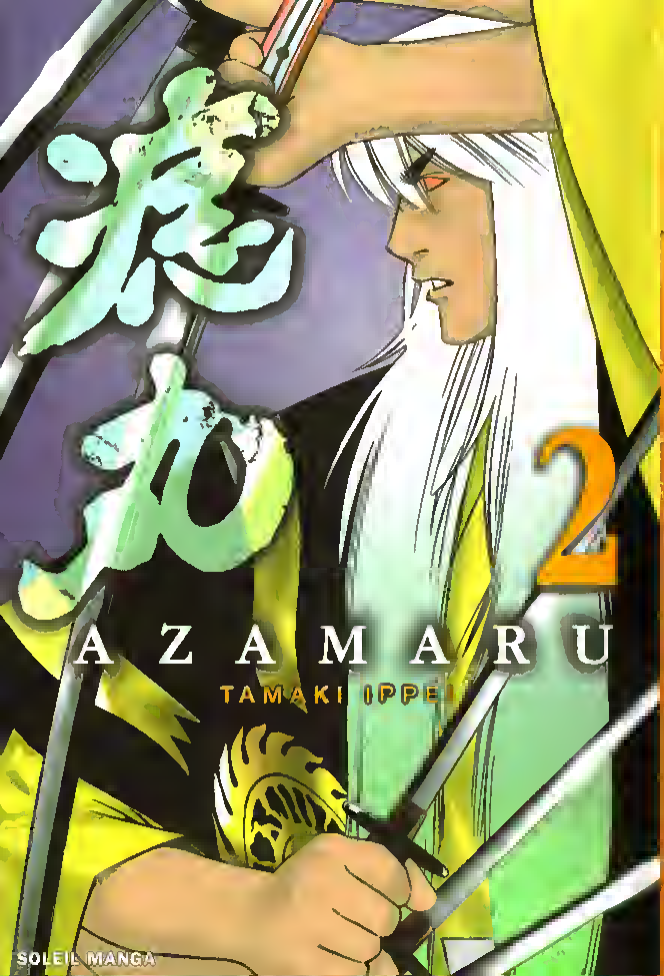


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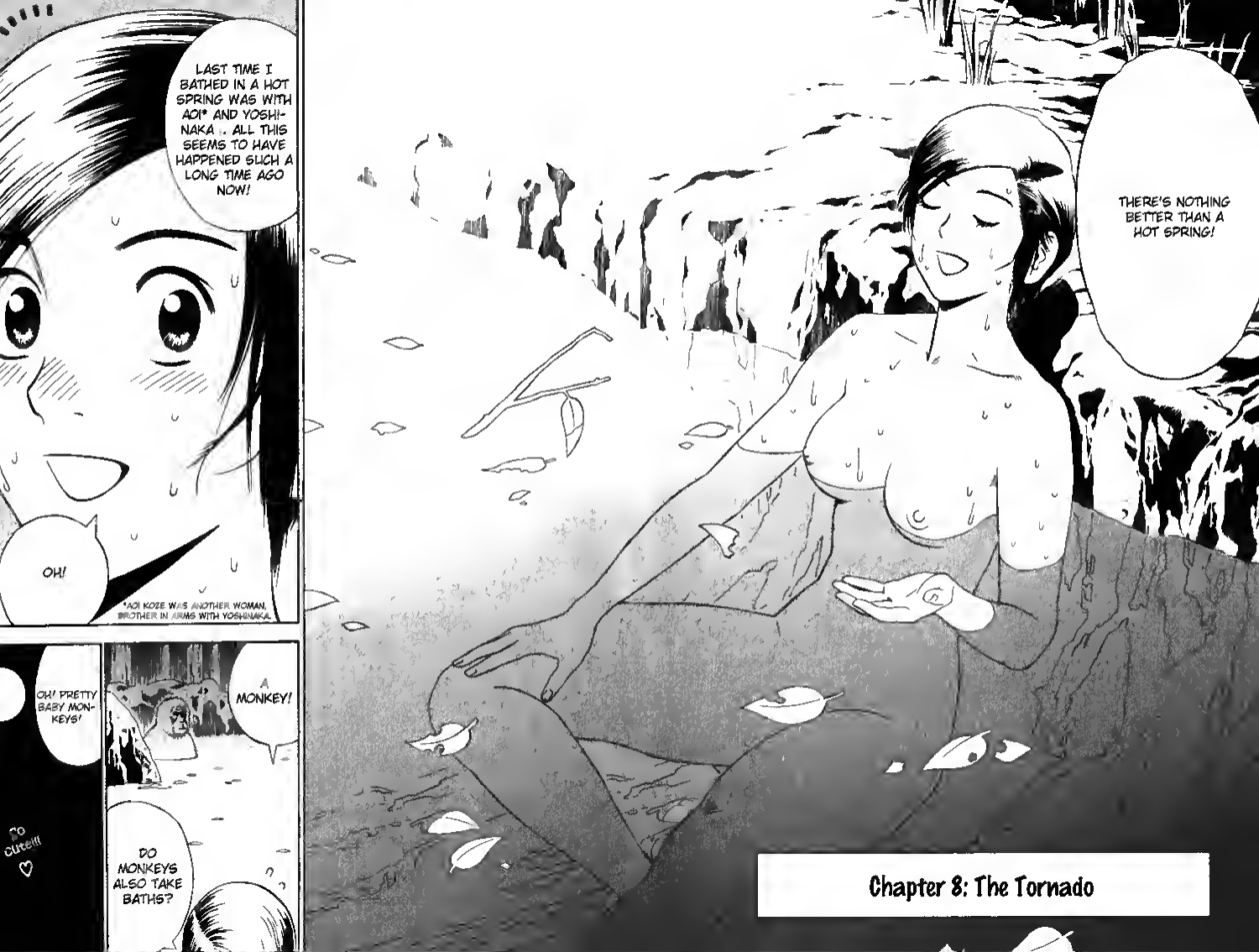
LAST TIME I BATHED IN A HOT SPRING WAS WITH AOI* AND YOSHINAKA . . ALL THIS SEEMS TO HAVE HAPPENED SUCH A LONG TIME AGO NOW!
OH!
*AOI KOZE WAS ANOTHER WOMAN, BROTHER IN ARMS WITH YOSHINAKA.
OH! PRETTY BABY MONKEYS!
So cute!!!
A MONKEY!
DO MONKEYS ALSO TAKE BATHS?
THERE'S NOTHING BETTER THAN A HOT SPRING!
Chapter 8: The Tornado

SQUISH


スタスタ
GRUNT

TOMOE IS PRETTY ENAMOURED WITH YOU, AKUBE!
.....
LIAR!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT SHE SEES IN YOU BUT...
SHIVER
OH, YEAH? I DIDN'T NOTICE ANYTHING.
I'M NOT FOOD TO BE SHARED!
OH YOU HEARD ME?
AREN'T YOU ATTRACTED TO ME?
NOT AT ALL!
HEY!
IF YOU DON'T WANT HER, I'D LIKE TO TASTE HER!
OMINOUS

MO-
KON!
THAT'S RIGHT GO PLAY WITH THE MON-KEYS!
RUSH
WELL, IT ONLY REMAINS FOR ME TO GO CRYING IN THE HOT SPRINGS...
I WOULDN'T GO IF I WERE YOU!

.....
LET US LEAVE OUR TWO LOVEBIRDS ALONE TALKING ABOUT THEIR VENGEANCE...
AFTER ALL, IT'S NORMAL THAT THEIR BOND TIGHTENS WITH SUCH A JOURNEY!
MAYBE I'M IN THE WAY... HAHAHA.
Ghic Ken!
GOOD OLD AKUBE! YOU ALREADY SAID THIS AT THAT TIME!
YOU LOVED WOMEN. YOU DIDN'T HESITATE LONG TO JUMP THEM!
IF LOVE ONLY LASTS A MOMENT...
IT'S BECAUSE YOU DISCOVER AT ONCE THE TRUE FACE OF YOUR SIGNIFICANT OTHER

AKUBE HAS REALLY CHANGED..
IT EVEN SEEMS THAT HE REFUSES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FEELINGS TOMOE IS HOLDING FOR HIM
SHE'S ALWAYS STICKING TO HIM! DID HE REALLY NOT NOTICE ANY-THING?
UNLESS HE REALLY HAS A COMPLEX ABOUT HIS SCARS!!!

WALKS AWAY
HOOT
HOOT
THUD
THUD
AND SHIT!
I WANT TO FLEE AND BECOME FREE AGAIN!
I HAVE THE CHANCE OF BEING ABLE TO RISE AGAIN FROM MY ASHES. IT'S CERTAINLY NOT TO RETURN TO BATTLE!!

THUD
BUT I NEVER ASKED TO BE RESURRECTED!
THEY ARE DOING DO LIKE VULGAR PUPPETS!
BUT SINCE I'M ALIVE I MAY AS WELL ESCAPE!

THUD

CLANG
CLANG

YOU, THE LOST ONE...
WHERE DID YOU PUT YOUR MAMA?
ガッ!!
YAAAAAA!!!
アッ!!
HAAAA!!!

SWASH

THE ONLY THING I WANTED
WAS TO SEE FOR ONE LAST TIME...
ボッ ボッ
PLUNK
MY WIFE
THAT'S WHAT FOOL'S HAPPENS TO FEEBLEMEN...
IF THIS YOSHITSUNE WOULDN'T REVIVE JUST ABOUT ANY BOWMEN, THIS KIND OF INCIDENT WOULDN'T OCCUR...
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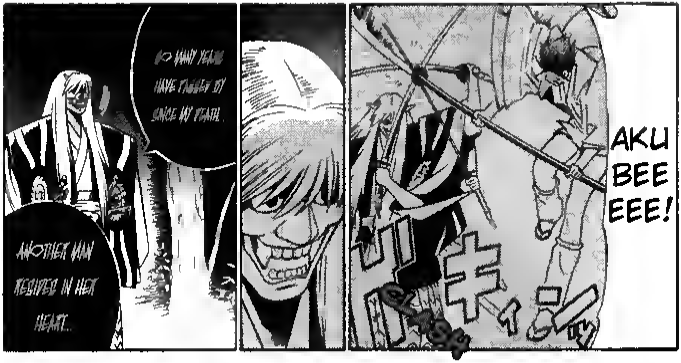
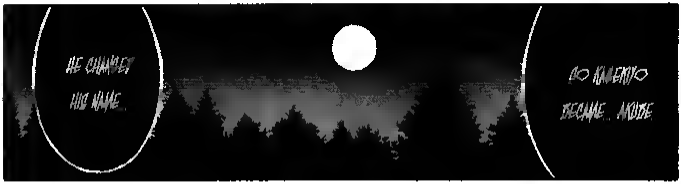
ONLY THE PEOPLE MOST KEEN ON FIGHTING LUDICROUSLY BENEFIT FROM THAT BEBOW CHANCE


SO MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED BY SINCE MY FATHER...
ANOTHER MAN RESIDED IN HER HEART...
AKU BEE EEE!


HE CHANGED HIS NAME...
SO KAGEMYO BECAME... MOBE

SLAM
AAAAH!
AAAAH!!
THUD

AFTER THE MONKEYS, NOW THE MASKS...
TO HELL WITH IT!
BAM
SLICE
SLASH
BAM!!
THESE MONSTERS ARE WEAK...
AH! AT LAST!
I MUST HAVE PLAYED A WRONG NOTE LAST TIME.
BANG
THEY ARE YOSHITSUNE'S MEN
BUT WHERE IS TOMOE?

SLASH!

WOOSH!
TURNS
OH!
THEY ARE IMMORTALS UNLESS YOU CUT THEIR HEAD OFF..
I ALSO KNOW HOW TO FIGHT!
BANG
BANG
OH?
SHE HANDLES THIS WEAPON LIKE A FISH SWIMMING IN THE WATER..
GOOD OLD TOMOE! SHE DESERVES HER WARRIOR REPUTATION...
WHICH ONLY GOES TO SHOW THAT APPEAR-ANCES ARE SOMETIMES DECEPTIVE
I SEE WHY YOSHINAKA WANTED HER BY HIS SIDE.

I KNOW HOW TO FIGHT!
AKUBE!
A TORNADO!
SHE AMPLY DESERVES HER REPUTATION OF...

SLASH
TURNS
AKUBE!
WATCH HER FIGHT!
TOMOE IS DOING REALLY WELL IN BATTLE!
SLICE
AHH!!
MY ARMS!!
GOBBLES
IT'S TOUCHING.
WATCHING A WOMAN GIVING IT HER ALL IN FRONT OF THE MAN SHE LOVES
THRUST
MONSTER GANG!!!
THUD
HEY!
AKUBE!
YOU COULD AT LEAST PAY A SECOND ATTENTION TO HER, RIGHT?

I'M THE ONE WHO TOOK THE LIFE OF FAMOUS GENERAL FUJIWARA NO TADATSUNA!
I'M TOMOE! I FOUGHT BY YOSHINAKA'S SIDE DURING THE GENPEI BATTLE!
TADA .. TSUNA?
THUD
THAT'S IT. SHE BELIEVES SHE IS ON STAGE AGAIN...
SLASH
A-AKUBE...

.....
I ALREADY KNEW IT...
BEFORE BEING A MAN AND A WOMAN...
THEY ARE LIVING WITH THEIR THIRST FOR VENGEANCE...
HA..
IS. IT TRUE?
GOODNESS

THEY WERE NOT BORN AT THE RIGHT ERA.
TOMOE...
THIS LOVE WAS DOOMED TO FAILURE FROM THE START.
WHAT A PITY.
AT AKUBE'S SIDE!
I'LL FIGHT.

Noise
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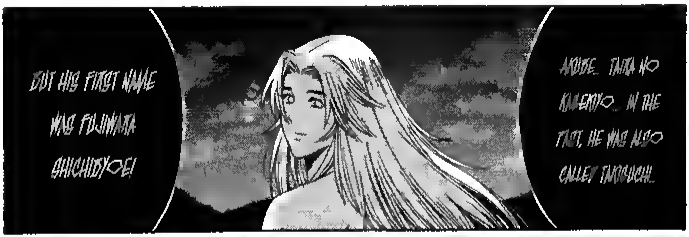

BUT HIS FIRST NAME WAS FUJIWARA SANEHISA'OE!
AKODE... TAIRA NO KUNEMYO... IN THE PAST, HE WAS ALSO CALLED TAKAUCHI...

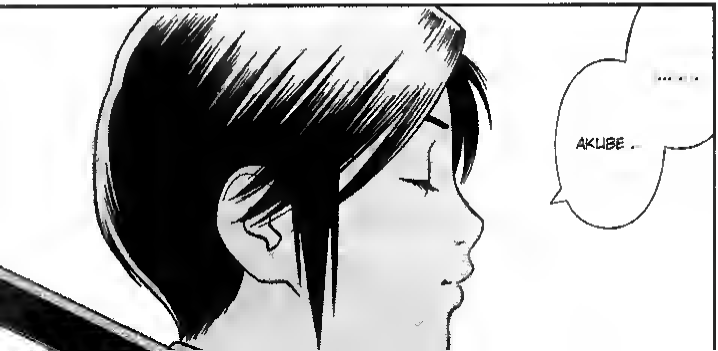
WAS AKODE'S BROTHER.
FUJIWARA NO TAKAIEHIRA. THE MAN SHE KILLED
HMM. I WONDER IF TOMOE NOTICED THAT...

WHAT IRONY OF FATE, MASTER YOSHINAKA!
OTAMAE, ISN'T IT? YOU ARE ALSONE WHO TO BRING BACK TOMOE WHEREAS I WAS KILLED BY THAT SAME TAKAIEHIRA!

ALL I WANT IS THAT TOMOE COMES BACK TO ME! NO MATTER THE MEANS!
BUT YOU HAVE TO ASK TOMOE FIRST IF SHE WANTS TO COME BACK TO ME ALIVE OR NOT!
BE QUIET!
TTT... YOU NEVER ASKED FOR MY OPINION...
BOTAN
I HAVE ALWAYS HATED TOMOE!
BUT SINCE YOU WANT HER BY YOUR SIDE, I HAVE TO ACCEPT THE INEVITABLE...
AOI.

SHE EVEN MIGHT BE AS STRONG AS AKUBE...
IT'S ODD... HOW IS IT THAT SHE POSSESSES THIS SUPERHUMANE STRENGTH?
BAM

IF I MUST DIE, IT'LL BE WITH
AKUBE!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AKUBE .

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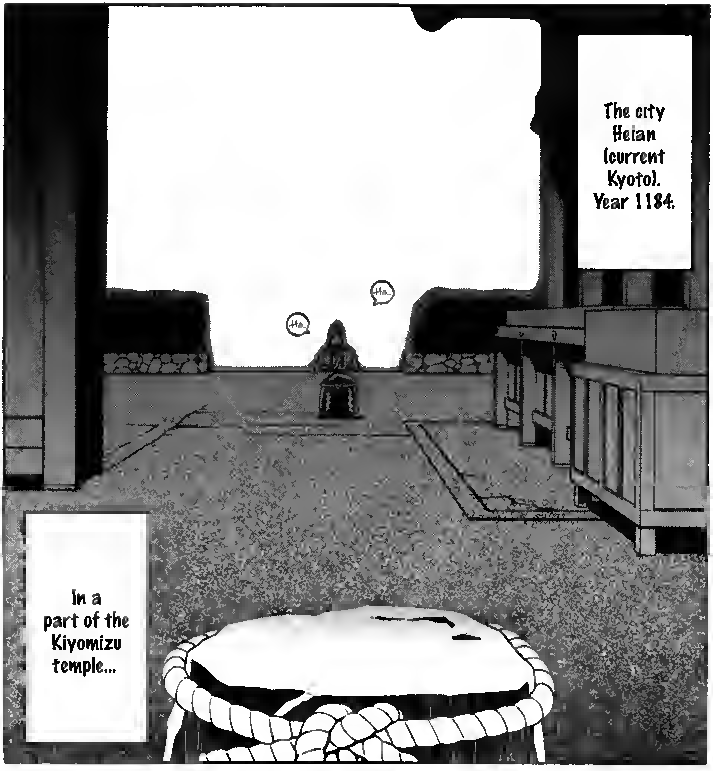


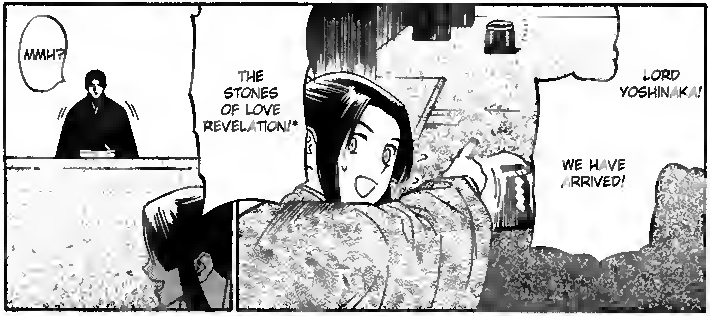


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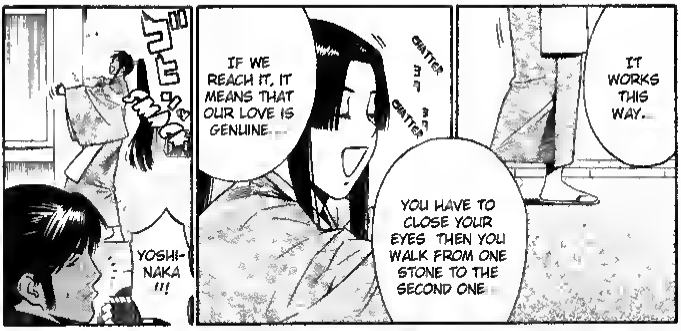
TOMOE!
LOVE REVELATION?
AHAHAH! MAY I REMIND YOU THAT WE HAVE KNOWN EACH OTHER SINCE BIRTH!
Shogun
Kiso (Minamoto) Jirô Yoshinaka
HEIAN IS A DANGEROUS TOWN FOR OUR CLAN! YOU MAKE US TAKE RISKS FOR THIS ?
I'LL GO FIRST, THEN IT'S YOUR TURN...
ALL RIGHT I UNDERSTAND!
Ahahah
AHAH!
AH, WOMEN! THEY ONLY THINK ABOUT LOVE!
WHAT ABOUT IT?
IF WE CAME AS FAR AS HEIAN IT WAS TO ASK FOR THE STONES'S ADVICE!
YES, YES...


YOSHI-NAKA !!!
IF WE REACH IT, IT MEANS THAT OUR LOVE IS GENUINE...
GRITTER
GRITTER
YOU HAVE TO CLOSE YOUR EYES. THEN YOU WALK FROM ONE STONE TO THE SECOND ONE.
IT WORKS THIS WAY...

YORITOMO AND HIS ARMY REACHED THE HILLS. THEY ARE ABOUT TO ENTER HEIAN!
Imai Shirokanehira
MMH?
WHAT HAPPENED?
TOP TOP SPLAC!
YOU LOOK PANI-CKED!

THEY HAVE 60. 000 MEN...
THEY JOINED FORCES WITH YOSHITSUNE AND NORIYORI...
HOW?

IF THEY ATTACK US, WE WON'T LAST LONG... WE ARE DONE FOR...
WE HAVE AT MOST 6 TO 7000 MEN...
BE QUIET!
I DON'T BELIEVE IN NUMBERS!
TOMOE! WE ARE HEADING BACK!
WE NEED TO MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR COMBAT!
Suh
WE NEED TO CATCH THEM BY SURPRISE! LET'S HURRY!
BUT WAIT...
...
If I had succeeded in reaching the second stone...
...what would I be at the present time...

I DON'T WANT DEATH TO SEPARATE ME FROM MY BELOVED ONES AGAIN!
This battle has been a massacre... I survived but death separated me from Yoshinaka and all my friends... I won't live through this suffering ever again!

AND I WANT TO BE NEAR YOU AKUBE!
IF IT MEANS LIVING TOGETHER, WE COULD AS WELL DIE TOGETHER!

WOOSH

SWISH
APP
!!
THE ARMY OF THE MASKS!
DISGUISED?

THUD
HAA!
THE VOICE OF A WOMAN?
TOSHIRO
HOW DARE YOU...
...COMPARE ME TO THAT ARMY OF USELESS FOOLS!
WH
SLAWNG
SLASH!
YAAAAAA!
MR. BONGE'S
THUD

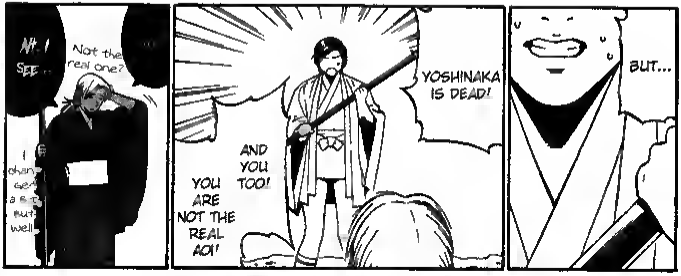
EEK
HII!
This weapon! Its technique
I KNOW IT!
I HAVE CHALLENGED HER HUNDREDS OF TIMES SINCE CHILDHOOD!
MAYBE EVEN THOUSANDS!

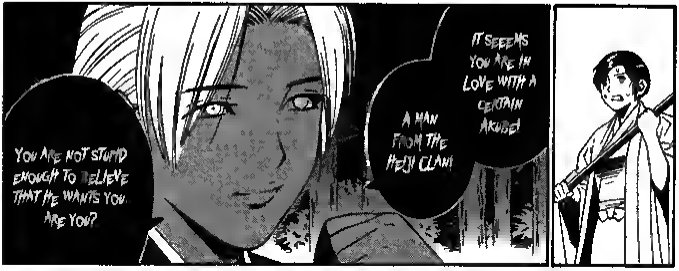
THUMP
...AOI?
WELL JUDGED.

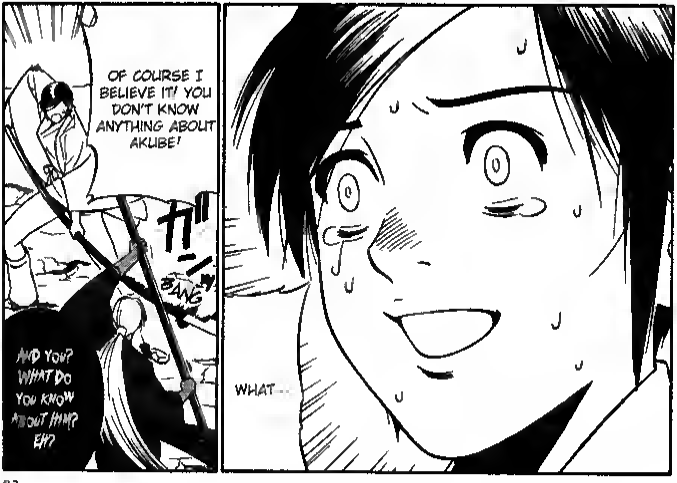
I'M SORRY TO BE SO FRANK BUT
YOU ARE GOING TO DIE...
TOMOE!
DASH
WH...!
BUT YOU DIED DURING THE KURIKARA BATTLE!!!
SLASHES
!
YES!
I DIED, TOMOE...
BUT I REALIZED THAT DEATH ONLY MEANT REBIRTH...

clink
BUT... BUT WH...
clash
WHY WOULD I FIGHT YOU?
crash
YOU SHOULD ALREADY HAVE NOTICED IT, RIGHT?
YOSHINAKA ASKED ME TO BRING YOU BACK ALIVE BUT...
WH...
WHAT?
BANG
IS HE ALIVE?
YOSHINAKA SHE REALLY DID MENTION YOSHINAKA!

YOU KNOW, DYING ISN'T SUCH A TERRIBLE THING...
AND BESIDES, WE WOMEN ENDURE PAIN WELL...
WHAT?
I DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU ARE DEAD OR ALIVE...
OH
BUT DON'T WORRY!
SLASH!!!

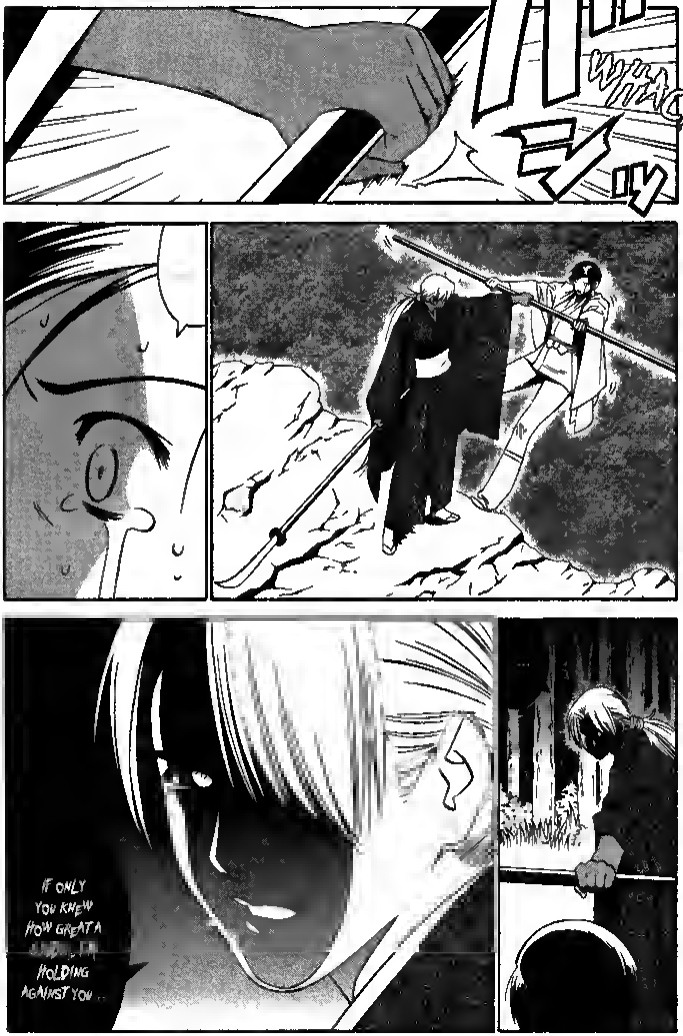

AH, I SEE...
Not the real one?
I always get a bad but well...
AND YOU TOO!
YOU ARE NOT THE REAL AOI!
YOSHINAKA IS DEAD!
BUT...


YOU ARE NOT STUPID ENOUGH TO BELIEVE THAT HE WANTS YOU. ARE YOU?
A MAN FROM THE HEIJI CLAN!
IT SEEMS YOU ARE IN LOVE WITH A CERTAIN AKUBE!


OF COURSE I BELIEVE IT! YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT AKUBE!
BANG
AND YOU? WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT HIM? EH?
WHAT...

AH.. YES?
I THINK HE'S ONLY FIGHTING FOR HIMSELF.. AND NOT FOR YOU!
BUT HE PROTECTED ME SEVERAL TIMES!
NO, I DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HIM!
WH..
SLASH
AKUBE IS POWERFUL SO I CAN UNDERSTAND.
THESE GHOSTS ARE STRONGER NOW THAN THEY WERE BEFORE THEY DIED..
DON'T YOU FIND IT STRANGE YOU ARE STILL ALIVE, YOU, A WOMAN?
PUB
I DON'T BELIEVE YOU!
IF YOU ARE STILL ALIVE, IT'S BECAUSE OUR ORDERS ARE TO BRING YOU BACK ALIVE....
LIKE I CARE?
SWOOSH

IT WASN'T AKUBE BUT YOSHINAKA WHO HAS BEEN PROTECTING YOU FROM THE START!
STA
STUMBLE


WHACK
IF ONLY YOU KNEW HOW GREAT A
HOLDING AGAINST YOU...

WHETHER YOU ARE DEAD OR ALIVE, IT'S THE SAME FOR US...
BUT HE'S ANXIOUS TO ASK FOR YOUR OPINION...
CLENCHES
YOSHINARA...
IT'S ALWAYS BEEN ABOUT YOU...
AND TO THINK THAT I LOVE HIM MORE THAN ANYONE!
I'M ABLE TO DIE SEVERAL TIMES FOR HIM!
EVIL STARE
TOMOE...
I'LL LEAVE YOU A CHOICE...
WHAT?

Do you prefer for me to drop this spear? You'd fall to your death but would live forever by Yoshinaka's side...
Or would you rather go back living near the man who will die soon...
We are thousands against him! We can reinforce our troops indefinitively!
He only has his sword to protect himself... How can you expect him to cope against thousands of soldiers?
Di...
Die soon?
Of course!
We couldn't care less about his life! What we want is to get this sword back...
Mankind's fate is strange...
...don't you agree?
Aza-maru...

YOSHINAKA AND ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS...
YAMAZUKI...
I'M TALKING ABOUT YOU, TOMOE...
FA...
...FATE?
WHATEVER YOU CHOOSE. YOU'LL DIE ONE DAY AND LEAVE THE PEOPLE YOU LOVE BEHIND...
SO WHY DO YOU NEED SO MUCH TIME TO THINK IT OVER?
THERE IS NO POINT IN THINKING.

NO, I DON'T WANT TO!
IF I DROP THIS SIGAR, YOU'LL SEE ALL OF US AGAIN...
YAMADUKI AWAITS YOU TOO

ARE YOU SURE?

BY THE WAY, WHERE DID TOMOE GO?
HMM?
NO IDEA...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
FOR THE BETTER NOW WE CAN TALK PRIVATELY...WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO WITH HER?
I WONDERED IF YOU'D STILL LET HER FOLLOW US...
SHE'S VERY STRONG, BUT IN MY OPINION SHE WON'T MAKE IT MUCH LONGER...
AND I'D LIKE TO HEAR YOUR ADVICE ON THIS MATTER...

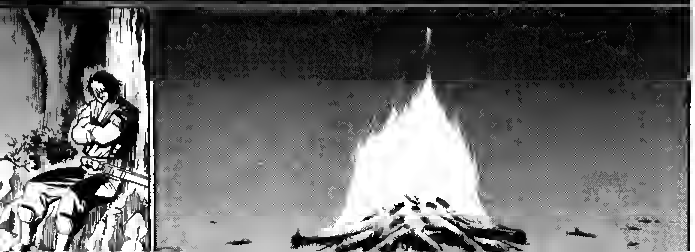
I NEVER ASKED HER TO FOLLOW...
SHE IS DOING WHATEVER SHE WANTS!
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED, AKUBE...
YOU ARE STILL SO INSENSIBLE WITH WOMEN... HAHAHA!
BY CHANGING YOUR IDENTITY, YOU THINK YOU ARE ABLE TO ESCAPE FROM YOUR PAST, BUT YOU ARE BASICALLY THE SAME!
THWACK
THE PAST?
CLATTER
SLASH
thudde

THE PAST IS LIKE THESE SCARS REFLECTED ON AZAMARU... IT CAN'T DISAPPEAR..
YOU ARE PROBABLY RIGHT, IENAGA...
SO WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH TOMOE?
YOU HAVE A SOFT SPOT FOR HER, RIGHT?
IF YOU DO, TELL HER SO!
THE POOR GIRL, DON'T LET HER GO THROUGH TORMENT...
YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT TOMOE IS THE ASSASSIN OF YOUR BROTHER TADATSUNA...
DO YOU THINK YOU ARE ABLE TO MAKE THIS PAST DISAPPEAR?

TADATSUNE WAS
AKUBE'S BROTHER?!

MY PLACE ISN'T HERE,
SINCE THE BEGINNING...

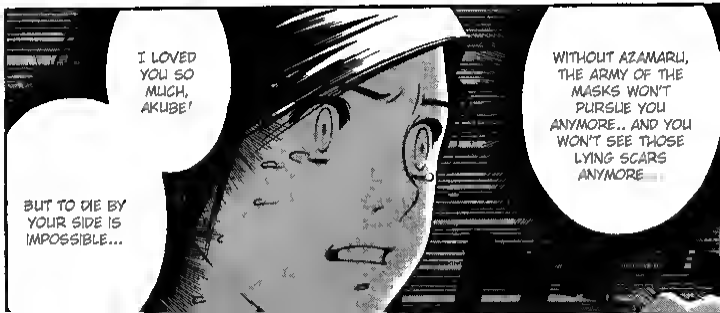
I HAD NO RIGHT TO
STAY WITH HIM...



AKUBE!
UP!
HMM?
YES
AKUBE!!
AKUBE...
A VERY LONG TIME
IT HAS BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE I'VE SEEN YOU SLEEP SO SOUNDLY...
YES, INDEED
BUT/
WHAT DO WE DO? SHALL WE LEAVE WITHOUT HER?
TOMOE HASN'T COME BACK AFTER ALL...

WHAT IS IT?
?
MY SWORD HAS DISAP-PEARED!
AZAMARU HAS DISAPPEARED!
STEP.
FAREWELL!
AKUBE!

AKUBE I'M FLEEING WITH THIS SWORD WHICH IS MAKING YOU SUFFER
YOU WILL FORGET ABOUT YOUR SCARS
BUT MY PAST YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO FORGET IT


I LOVED YOU SO MUCH, AKUBE!
WITHOUT AZAMARU, THE ARMY OF THE MASKS WON'T PURSUE YOU ANYMORE.. AND YOU WON'T SEE THOSE LYING SCARS ANYMORE
BUT TO DIE BY YOUR SIDE IS IMPOSSIBLE...

THAT BITCH!!!
カ
チャ
click
SHE TRICKED US!!!
カ
チャ
click
IF I HAD KNOWN, I'D HAVE KILLED HER FROM THE START!!!
カ
チャ
click
WAKE UP, MORON!!
AKUBE!
YOU NEED TO GET YOUR SWORD BACK!
IT'S YOUR FAULT!
LET'S GO!!!
TOMOE
...

DOGGING TOMOE'S FOOTSTEPS

WAIT!
WHAT IS IT AGAIN?
DON'T TOUCH TOMOE!
AH, REALLY?
POC
WOULD YOU RATHER DIE BEFORE HER?
USELESS FOOL!

AKUBE!
I WISH FOR YOU TO LIVE!

trembles
7"
7" GRASP
You are scared shitless!
If you may excuse this expression...
HAHAHA
I see that you fear death
SHAKES
7"
7"
7"
Bwah!
Come
Hypocrite!
Ugly woman!
Look at yourself!
Bitch!
Slut!
Tart!
Imbecile!

RATTLE
RATTLE
YOSHINAKA AKUBE...
FORGET EVERYTHING!
FORGET EVERYTHING!
DISAPPEAR AS FAR AS YOU CAN!
TOMOE...
SHUDDERS
SO FORGET HIM BEFORE HE DIES!
YOU'LL SUFFER LESS IN PARTING WITH HIM IN SUCH A WAY!
ANYWAY, AS LONG AS AKUBE IS IN POSSESSION OF THIS SWORD, I DON'T GIVE MUCH FOR HIS CHANCES TO SURVIVE

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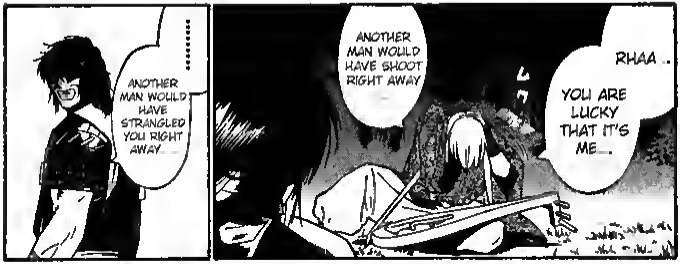
## CHAPTER 10: SWEET MEMORIES, GHOSTLY MEMORIES...

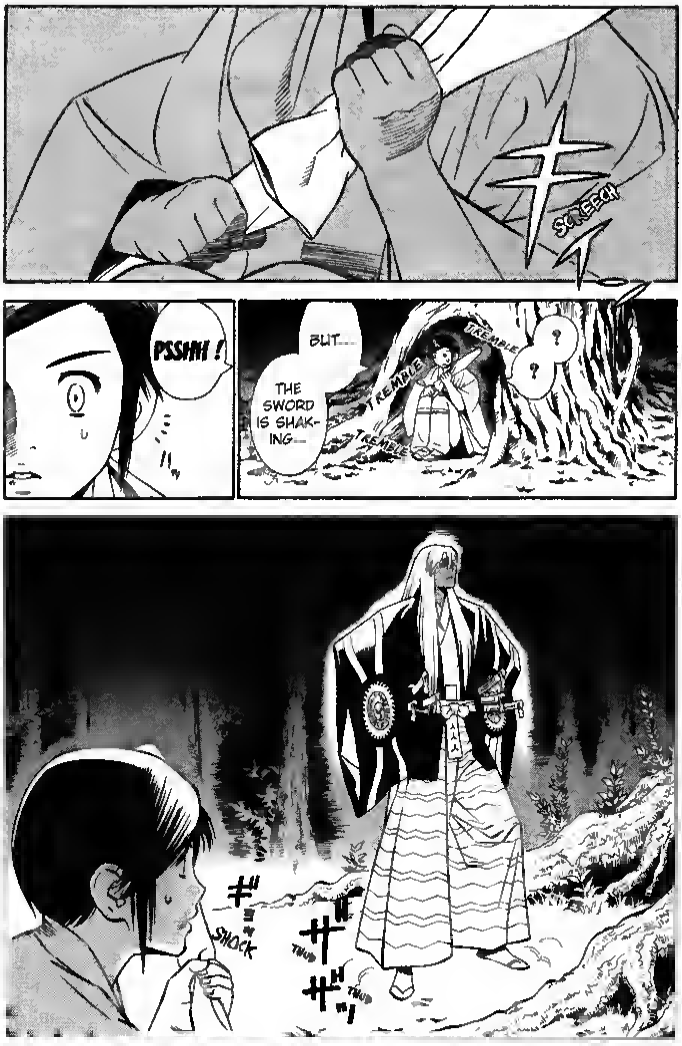
Bang
USELESS FOOL!
WANT TO SNIFF IT FIRST?
!
CRACK

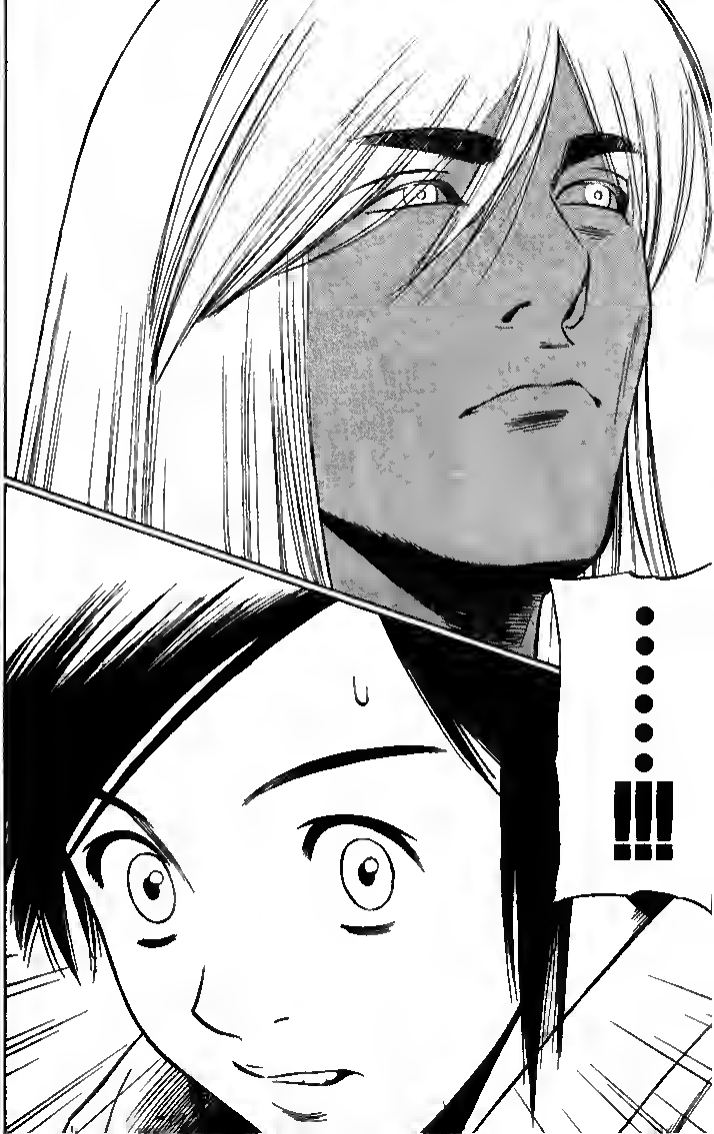
RHAA...
BOMG!
shudder
SLIDES
FLAMP
WA...
WAIT...


.....
ANOTHER MAN WOULD HAVE STRANGLED YOU RIGHT AWAY...
ANOTHER MAN WOULD HAVE SHOOT RIGHT AWAY
RHAA ..
YOU ARE LUCKY THAT IT'S ME...

?
LET'S GO...
.....
PFF... WHAT A STORY...

WE ARE SUR-ROUNDED!
.....
THIS PLACE IS TOO CALM...


SCREECH
PSSHH!
BUT...
THE SWORD IS SHAKING...
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
?
?
SHOCK
THUD
THUD
THUD



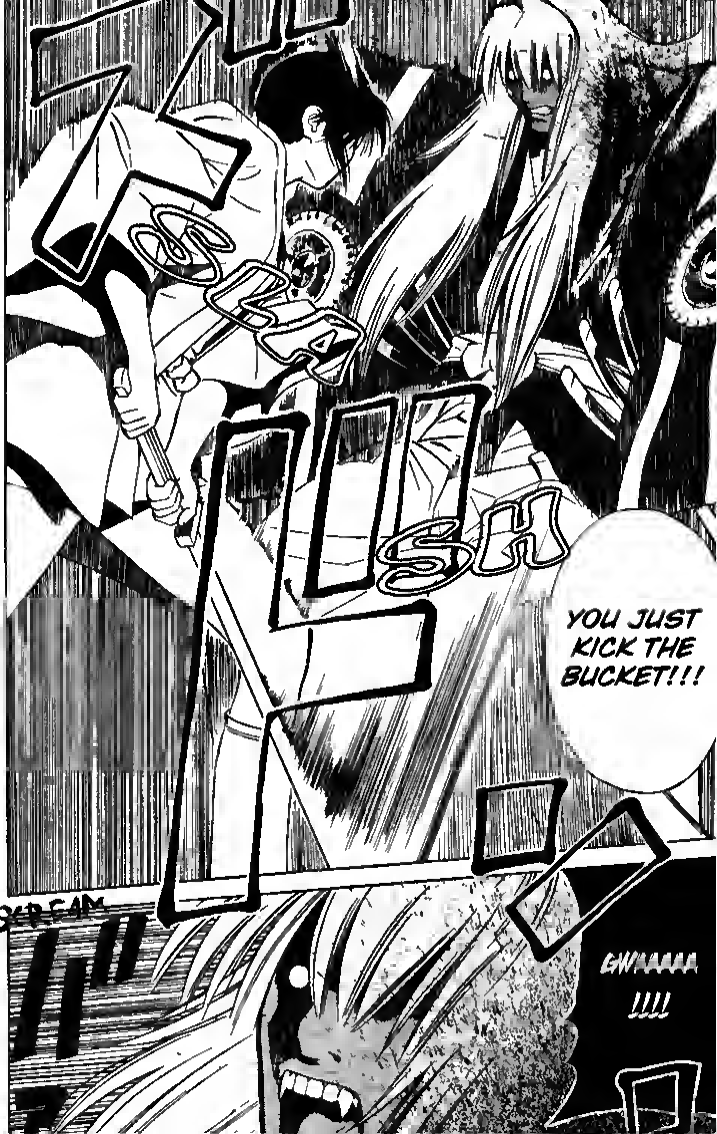
FLOMP
ドサ
スタスタスタ
WALKS STRAIGHT PAST
……
YO YOSHI
……
ス
Motion

WHAT A COINCIDENCE!
OH!

HEHEHE...
INDEED, WHAT A COINCI-DENCE!
.....
HE...
YOUR VOICE, YOUR SKIN...
YOUR HAIR IS DIFFERENT...
YES INDEED, I DID CHANGE A BIT BY DYING...
BUT YOU KNOW, EVEN IF I LOOK DIFFERENT ON THE OUTSIDE, ON THE INSIDE...
Step
Step
Step

MY HEART HASN'T CHANGED...
POC!
TOMOE...
I DIDN'T LOSE IT!!!
YOU HAVE CHANGED, TOO! YOU LOST SOME OF YOUR HAIR!
THAT YOU WOULD COME BACK TO ME...
I KNEW...

AH!
BY THE WAY...
SIGHS
I HAVE WAITED FOR YOU FOR MORE THAN 6 YEARS...
DON'T CHASE HIM ANYMORE!
PLEASE...
clang
HERE...
LOOK AT WHAT I BROUGHT FOR YOU
SO, PLEASE...
!!
YES!
AZAMARU! WITH THIS, YOU..
!!
THE DIVINE SWORD?...


SLASH
YOU JUST KICK THE BUCKET!!!
SCREAM
GWAAAAA !!!!

カ!!
ラァ
WHY...
AH!
BUT WHAT..
!!
AOI?
WAS IT YOU WHO ASKED TOMOE TO BRING BACK THE SWORD?
MISS
I...
I DIDN'T..
I KNOW. I KNOW...
THE SWORD MANIFESTED YOU...
THE DIVINE SWORD...
SORRY, I..

TOMOE BROUGHT IT BACK...
...OF HER OWN ACCORD?!!
NO! I DIDN'T ASK ANYTHING OF HER!
WH...?
A...AOI?!?
WHERE IS SHE?
YES...
YES, OF COURSE!
AND YAMA-BUKI?
WHERE IS YAMA-BUKI?
TOMOE!!!
DID YOU STEAL THIS SWORD?! ANSWER!
HEART THUMP
ドクッ
.....
...I...
EVIL GRIN
ニヤリ

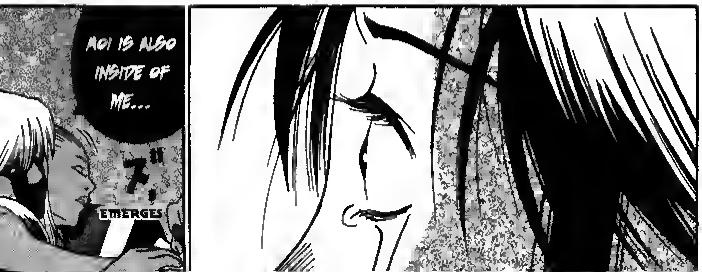
SORRY...
SORRY...
MY INTENTIONS WERE TO GET IT BACK MYSELF IN BATTLE!
AND WHY DID YOU STEAL IT?!?
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE A THIEF, TOMOE!
SO WHY...
WHY DID YOU STEAL IT?!?
ALL THIS TO PROTECT AKUBE?!?
EVIL CHUCKLE
ギギギ
ANSWER! TOMOE!!!
GRABS
IS HE THE REASON YOU CAME BACK?
BECAUSE YOU ARE NAIVE ENOUGH TO BELIEVE THAT WITHOUT HIS SWORD HE'S OUT OF DANGER?
LORD... ...YOSHI-NAKA...

UP, TOMOE!
DON'T HURT, AKUBE...
LEAVE HIM IN PEACE.
UP!
I..
I BEG YOU ..
THUD

THUMP
PLEA...
...SE...
THUMP
SO HE'S GOING TO DIE!
I'M GOING TO TAKE YOUR HEART BACK FROM HIM!
TOMOE...
DO YOU LOVE THAT GUY?
NO!
I BEG YOU!
LORD YO SHINAKA!

DON'T WORRY...
YOU'LL FORGET HIM AS TIME PASSES BY...
FLOATS
I'M OFFERING YOU A PLACE IN MY HEART AND MY BODY... COME AND JOIN UP WITH YOUR FRIENDS...
WE ARE ETERNAL...
THE HEART IS THE FIRST DOOR TO THE HEREAFTER...
BUT YAMABUKI IS IN MY BODY....
YAMA-BUKI!
YES!

HUGS
DO YOU FEEL THESE ARMS? THEY ARE YAMABUKI'S...


AOI IS ALSO INSIDE OF ME...
EMERGES

HA
HA
HA
HA
SO, HURRY UP AND JOIN US...
TOMOE...

I'LL COME BACK...
I CAN'T ACCEPT IT...
I'M LEAVING THIS SWORD WITH YOU...
SLUMP
WE'LL CONTINUE THIS DISCUSSION LATER...
I HOPE YOU ARE GOING TO TELL ME ABOUT ALL THOSE LOST YEARS...
TOMOE...

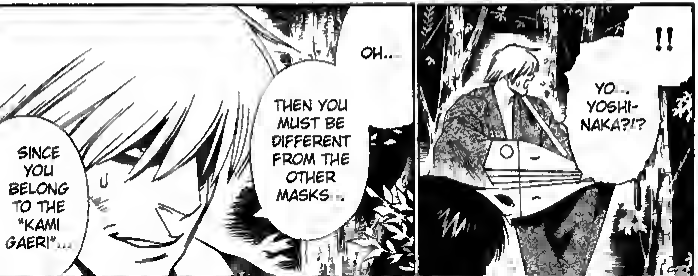
IF I DIE...
I'LL END UP IN YOSHINAKA'S BODY...
WHAT TO DO...
I CAN'T EVEN DIE!
ガラ
CLANG
HELP!
AKUBE !!!

BAM
BAM
SHE HAS DISRUPTED EVERY-THING HERE!!
AND SHIT!
SWISH
SWISH

RIP
ドサッ

disappears
THE ARMY OF THE MASKS IS LEAVING?
BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE SWORD?
OH?
AH! THE FELLOW FROM THE OTHER DAY!
!!
HMPH
HEAVY STEP
SHALL WE CONTINUE THE FIGHT WHERE WE LEFT OFF LAST TIME?
ANJIE... I APOLOGIZE TO HAVE MADE YOU WAIT...
CLINK
CLANG

I'M KISO JIRO YOSHINAKA! SHOGUN ASASHI!!!
AND IT'S THE LAST TIME YOU ARE SEEING ME IN YOUR DAY!
WOOSH


!!
YO...YOSHI-NAKA?!?
OH...
THEN YOU MUST BE DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER MASKS...
SINCE YOU BELONG TO THE "KAMI GAERI"...

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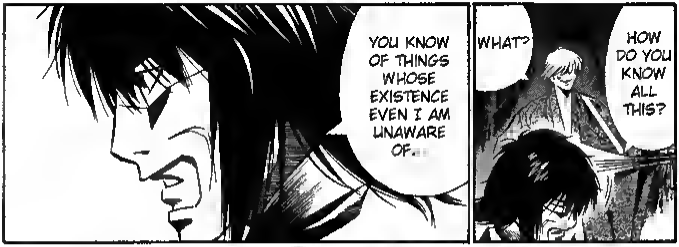
YOU KNOW OF THINGS WHOSE EXISTENCE EVEN I AM UNAWARE OF...
WHAT?
HOW DO YOU KNOW ALL THIS?

.....
-HAHA
HAHAHA
PFFFT!
UNLIKE YOU, I DID STUDY!

THERE ARE SEVERAL GHOST RANKS AMONG THE MASKS....
FORMERLY THE MONK SAIGYO INFRINGED THE DIVINE RULES BY USING 10 SACRED ITEMS AND BY RESURRECTING GODS FROM THE LAND OF THE DEAD... THIS LAND OF THE DEAD IS CALLED YOMI...

AT THE DAWN OF TIME SOME AMATSU KAMI WERE ABLE TO CLEAR OFF JAPAN FROM ALL THE GODS WHO PUT THEM IN THE SHADE...THEY LOCKED UP THE SOULS OF THOSE GODS IN 10 ITEMS...IT'S THIS MONK SAIGYO WHO FREED THEM...
THE"KAMI GAERI" IS THE NAME FOR THE GODS' RETURN ON EARTH!

SHUT UP!

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CHAPTER 11: SHOGUN ASAHI FLARES UP...?
HE'S CERTAINLY VERY STRONG SINCE HE'S CONSIDERED A GOD WHO RETURNED TO EARTH...
WE'LL HAVE TO BE CAREFUL, HE'S A "KAMI GAERI".

...MAYBE FIRE...
TSK!
BUT IF THE EXPLOSIVE BALLS ARE INEFFECTUAL .
Quick Movement
WHETHER YOU ARE A KAMI GAERI OR NOT, I'M SURPRISED THAT MY LUTE HAS NO EFFECT UPON YOU ..
...CAN!!!
WHOOSH
!?

DIE UNDER-NEATH THE FLAMES!
GULP
LOSER...
AH.

Horrible Revelation
STARE
Hiiii!
!!
Quick Reaction
Slash
He's going to slaughter me...
WHAM

!!
BAM

SLAM
Slac
CRACK
TWIST
ANYWAY, THANK YOU FOR LENDING ME A HAND, AKUBE..
SORRY MY WEAPONS HAVE NO EFFECT UPON HIM.
HAVE FUN KILLING EACH OTHER!
PFFFF
I PREFER TO LEAVE YOU AMONG FRIENDS..
BUT I'LL HAVE TO LEAVE
Tchip

Vanished
FOLLOW ME!
FOOTSTEPS
CLATTER
YOU KNOW, AKUBE, I NEVER ASKED TO COME BACK FROM THE LAND OF YOMI...
I EVEN FIND IT QUITE DODGY...
BUT IT ALSO HAS ITS LIGHT POINTS...
THOSE FLAME JETS DIDN'T EVEN WARM ME UP...



Thud

THAT HELPED ME SEE TOMOE AGAIN!
Bwahaha

TOMOE HAS PREFERRED TO COME BACK TO ME...
...RATHER THAN TO STAY WITH YOU...
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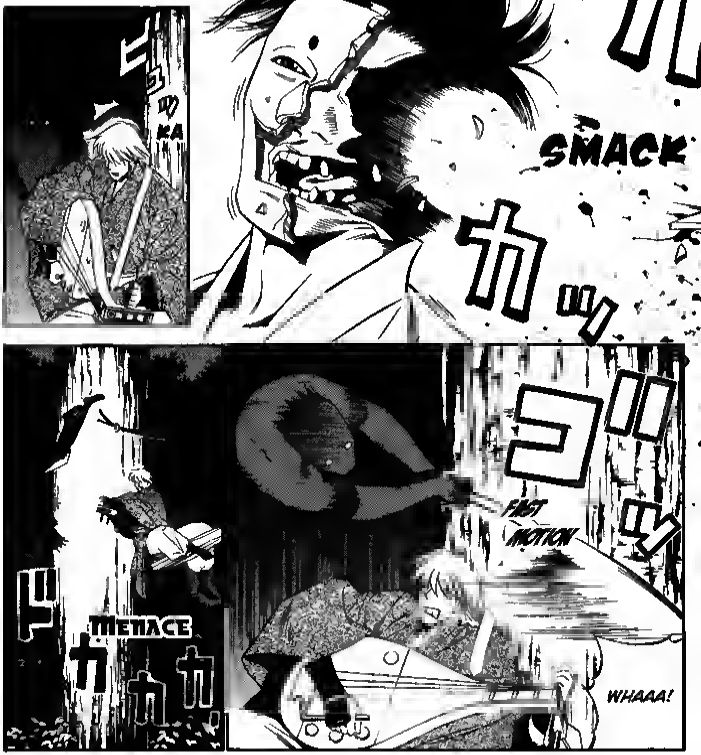
TOMOE ALREADY FORGOT ABOUT YOU!!!
AKUBE!!!!
THREATENING AURA


SMACK
FAST MOTION
WHAAA!
MENACE
THUD

DAMN IT...
IT'S NICE TO FLEE BUT...
.HOW MANY OF THEM ARE IN THIS FOREST?
WITH THEIR FIREFLY EYES..
THERE ARE THOU-SANDS!
Splash
I ONLY SEE ONE SOLUTION ...
BURN THE FOREST DOWN...

Roar

Clash
Clash
Fast
Movement
GAN
ATTACK
Whom
Sure!
ENRAGED
LEAP
Block

STILL
SWISH
MOVES BACK
WHASH
ARE YOU GOING TO FIGHT INSTEAD OF CONSTANTLY STEPPING BACK?!?
WELL?!?

I can anticipate his arms' movements from afar...
Point!
Pfff! How does he want me to fight?! With his arms, he is able to attack me from any angle... Its in my interest to keep my distances...
TOMOE...
Dash
this fight looks difficult...
But also for him...
Giggle
Hit
I WAS THE ONE WHO CHASED THE HEIJI FROM HEIAN!!!
NOT YORITOMO !!!
AND I HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO SATISFY HER!
TOMOE ONLY LIKES STRONG MEN!
Violent Hits

Bunc!
Twirling
I'M THE TRUE SHOGUN!!!
I'M THE TRUE SHOGUN! SHOGUN ASAH!!!
Strong Attacks
AND I'M OF COURSE MORE POWERFUL THAN YOU...
I'M GONNA TAKE TOMOE BACK FROM YOU!!!
STRONG KICK
GWA!
ARGHH!
Quick Recovery
YOU ARE NEARY-HANDED...

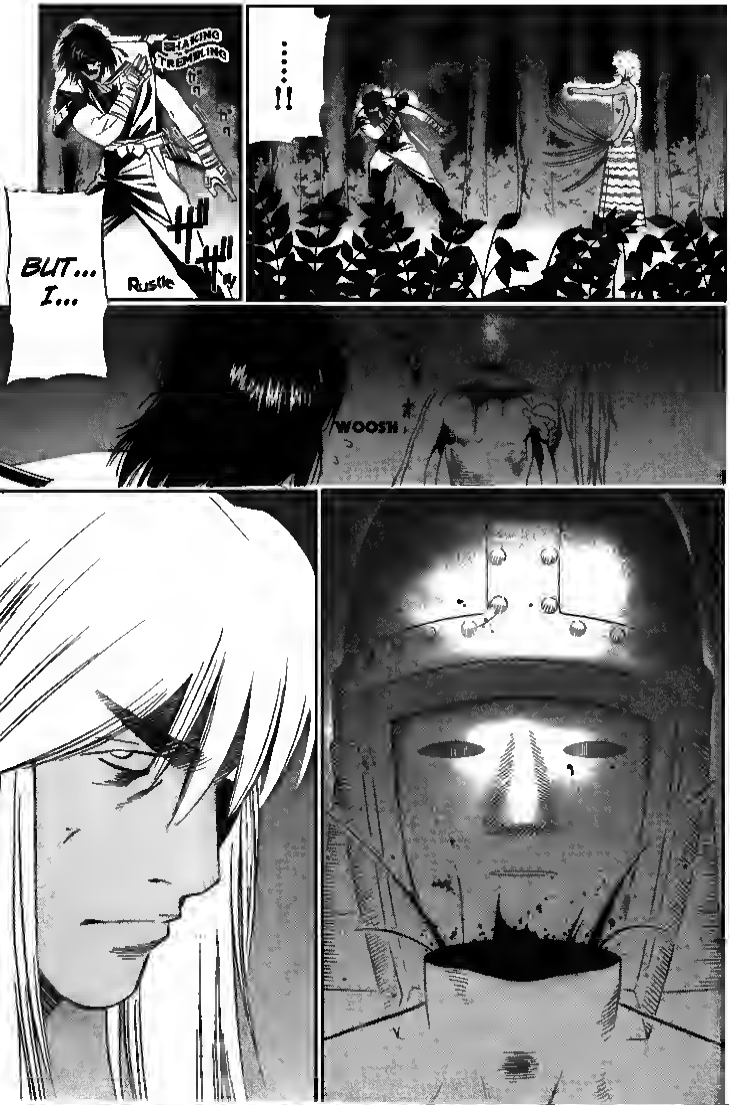
YOU ARE STARTING TO ANNOY ME WITH TOMOE! THAT'S ALL YOU EVER SAY?
I'D RATHER SAY YOU ARE JEALOUS...
TWITCH
RIGHT? SHOGUN ASAHI!!!
TREMBLE TREMBLE
THEN YOU ARE THE GOD OF JEALOUSY, RIGHT! SHOGUN ASAHI!
IF YOU ARE A GOD...

AKUBE
!!!!!
DASH
I'M HERE!

!!
Attack
Clash
YOU ARE...
POWER HIT

.....
!!
.....
GO BACK TO WHERE YOU CAME FROM!
SLASH
TO THE PLACE YOU WERE 6 YEARS AGO!!!

TAP TAP
POF !
Stab
Clatter
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
DRIP
AKKKGHH!


SHAKING
TREMBLING
Rustle
BUT...
I...
.....
!!
WOOSH

GHOSTLY ROAR

IT'S IMPO...
……!!
TURNS AROUND
Clack
A PITY, EH?
BUT YOU CAN'T DO A THING AGAINST ME WITHOUT THE DIVINE SWORD...
WET COUGH

I SEE...
IENAGA WAS RIGHT. YOU ARE NOT A MERE SOLDIER WHO CAME BACK FROM THE LAND OF THE DEAD...

MOTIONLESS

!
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
IT'S ANOTHER OF YOUR FRIEND'S TWIGS, ISN'T IT?
WOBBLING
BUT...
I DON'T LIKE BOTCHED UP WORK...
YOU ARE HURT SO I JUST HAVE TO LEAVE YOU TO BURN IN THE FOREST...
TWITCH
TWITCH
I DON'T KNOW HOW IT FEELS TO FIND YOURSELF INMIDST THE FLAMES...
BUT I DON'T WANT TO TRY IT OUT...
I'LL TAKE YOUR PIECES WITH ME...
I'M GOING TO CUT YOU UP! FROM YOUR HEAD TO THE TOES OF YOUR FEET!

AND I'LL RECLAIM TOMOE'S HEART!
HENCEFORTH TOMOE IS MINE!!

YOU DON'T DESERVE TOMOE...
カラ

PFFFT... IT'S STARTING OVER AGAIN...
YOU ARE NO GOD, JUST A WHINER...

I'M KEEPING HER FOR MYSELF!
Whir
PLOP
AH! THERE GOES HIS PITCH AGAIN!
Running
FAREWELL, AKUBE!
Twang Twang
DON'T HOLD IT AGAINST ME!

AZAMARU!!!
RHAAA!!
SHE'S MAKE HER WAY TOWARDS THE MIDDLE OF THE FLAMES! CRAZY WOMAN!
I have no choice anymore! I must... I must...
I must give Azamaru back to Akube!!!

He'll surely hate me but...
After what I've done, there's a risk Akube is going to be very angry...
...but I have to give it back to him!
AKUBE!
WHY'S THIS WOMAN KILLED YOUR BROTHER! SHE STOLE YOUR SWORD AND SHE'S PUTTING YOUR LIFE IN DANGER!!!
WHAT'S TOMOE TO YOU?!?

Tsk!
YOU ARE STARTING TO GET ON MY NERVES!
TOMOE BELONGS TO ME. WHETHER YOU WANT IT OR NOT! GOT IT?
Crap!

Swish
Cut
FAST REACTION
STAB
STAB
STAB
TEARING

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I'LL KILL YOU SLOWLY...
GWAA !
STAB
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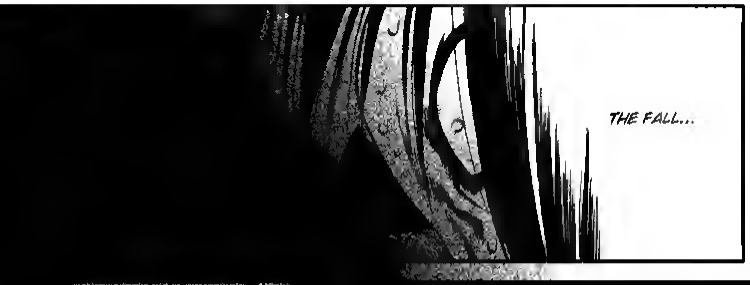
STAB
GRAB
BIG IMPACT
GWAAAA!
THRUST
THRUST
RHAAA!
I EXECRATE...
...USELESS PEOPLE WHO OUTSMART EACH OTHER...
.....!!
STAB
YOU UNDERSTAND?
Vigorous Motion

Cut with a single blow
ズ
ガ
THRUST
グリ
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH...
YOU SAY THAT TOMOE BELONGS TO YOU?
THRUST
グリ
Cut with a single blow
Crackle
Crackle
YOU ARE NOT TRYING TO BE SMART ANYMORE, EH?
ズ
ガ
SO?!
FIRST I'LL CUT YOUR TONGUE TO MAKE YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR IMPUDENCE...
STAB
ピク
ピク
Twitch
ピク
AKUBE!!
YOU ARE FINISHED!



THE WORD "FALL" IS NOT NECESSARILY SYNONYMOUS WITH SURRENDER...

IT ALSO MEANS TO HAVE UNDERSTOOD WHERE ONE LIMITS ARE...

DO YOU UNDERSTAND, AKUBE?
TOMO-MORI?!

I FINALLY UNDERSTOOD WHAT MY LIMITS WERE...
AT THE END...
...I'M JUST KIYOMORI'S SON...
MY DESTINY IS TO BE PRESENT AT THE FALL OF THE HEIJI CLAN... THOSE ARE MY LIMITS...
BUT YOU...
HAVE NO LIMITS...
KAGEKIYO ...
Tremble
Tremble
Tremble
?
.....
GRAD

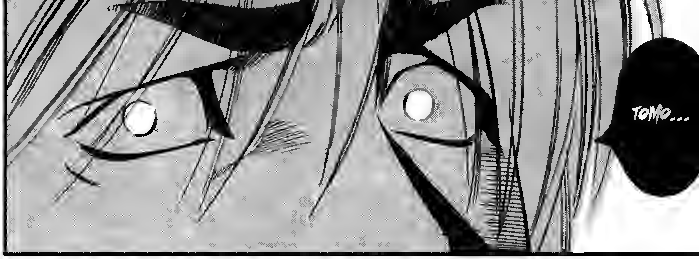
ARE YOU STILL MOVING?
.....
AH!
I'M GOING TO KILL YOU RIGHT AWAY...
AKUBE. I CHANGED MY MIND...
SWOOSH
AHHH!
CLANG
I'LL BRING YOU BACK FROM THE LAND OF YOMI!
AND YOU'LL DIE OVER AND OVER AGAIN!!!
WHAM
BAM

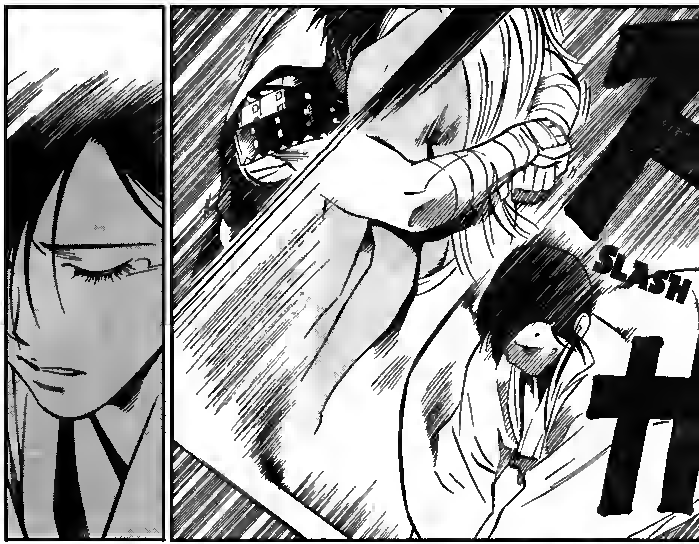
RHAAAA !!!
CLASH
GWA...
ARGH !!!
Stab
I...
I HAVEN'T

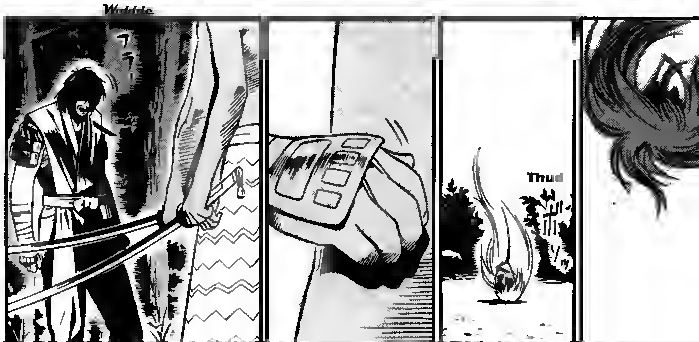
THREATENING ATMOSPHERE
I DIDN'T HAVE THE LAST WORD YET...
I HAVEN'T REACHED MY LIMIT YET...
YOU DARE?
HO... HOW?

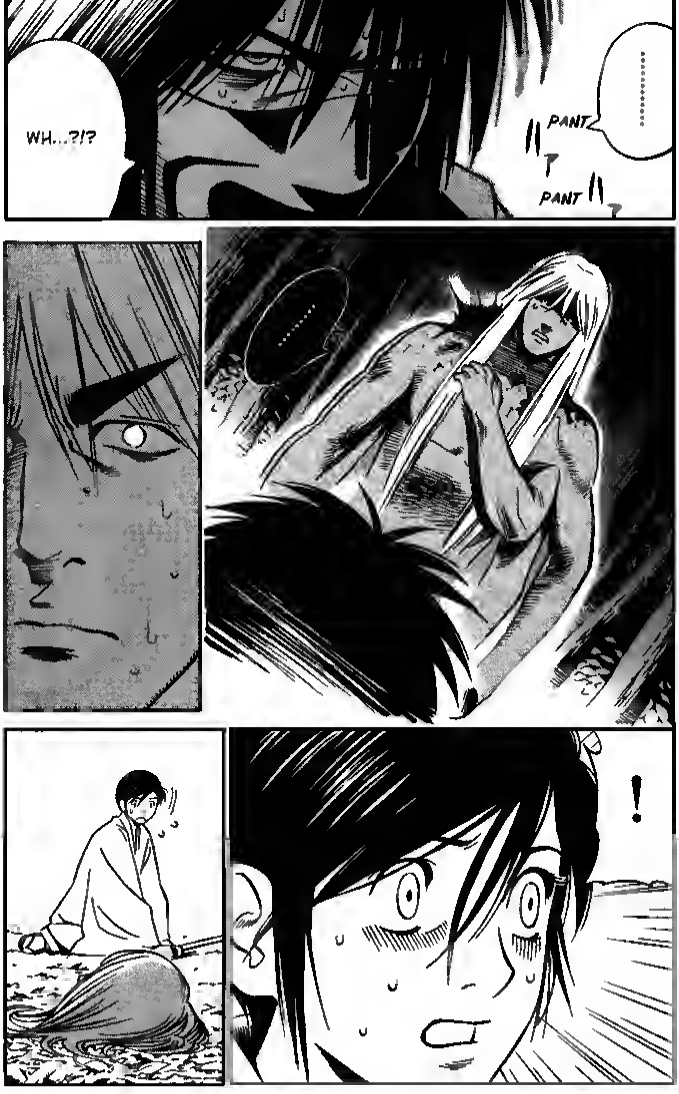
AH!!
AKUBE!!!

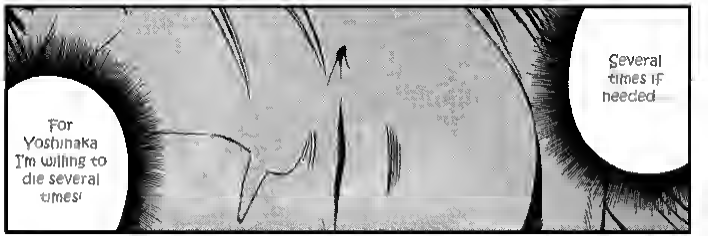
SLURP
DON'T COME N...
AKUBE!!!


TOMO...


SLASH


Thud


WH...?!?
PANT
PANT
.....
!


Several times IF needed
For Yoshinaka I'm willing to die several times!

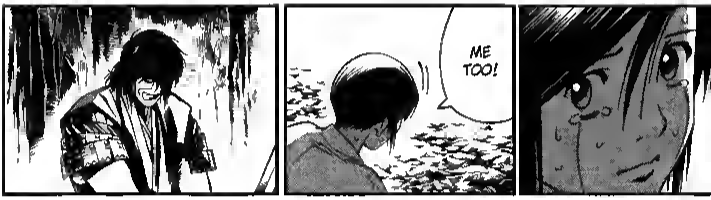
AOI !!!
AAA
I love him—
!!
I love him so much

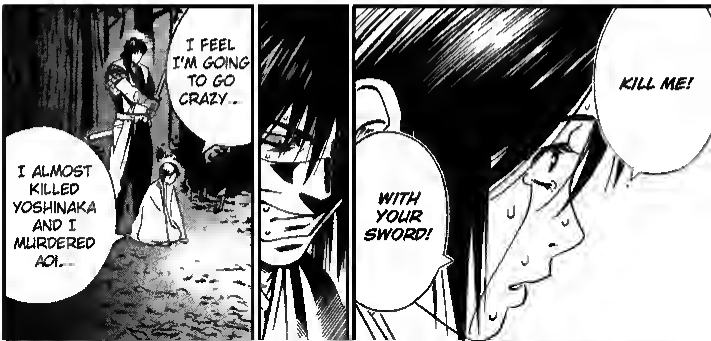
AOI!!! WHAT...
TOMOE! WHY DID YOU DO THAT?
CLASH
THAT SWORD...
...IS CAPABLE OF DESTROYING THE SOULS OF THE IMMORTALS!
AOI IS DEFINITELY DEAD!!!
SHE WILL NEVER HAVE ACCESS TO THE GATES OF THE LAND OF YOMI AGAIN!!!
WHY!!!
TOMOE!!! WHY DID YOU KILL AOI???

SHIVER
Smoothly
PFF! AOI'S FLESH IS ALREADY COLD...
TOMOE ON THE OTHER HAND IS TRULY ALIVE
HER BODY IS WARM.
IT'S ALL THAT MATTERS TO ME...

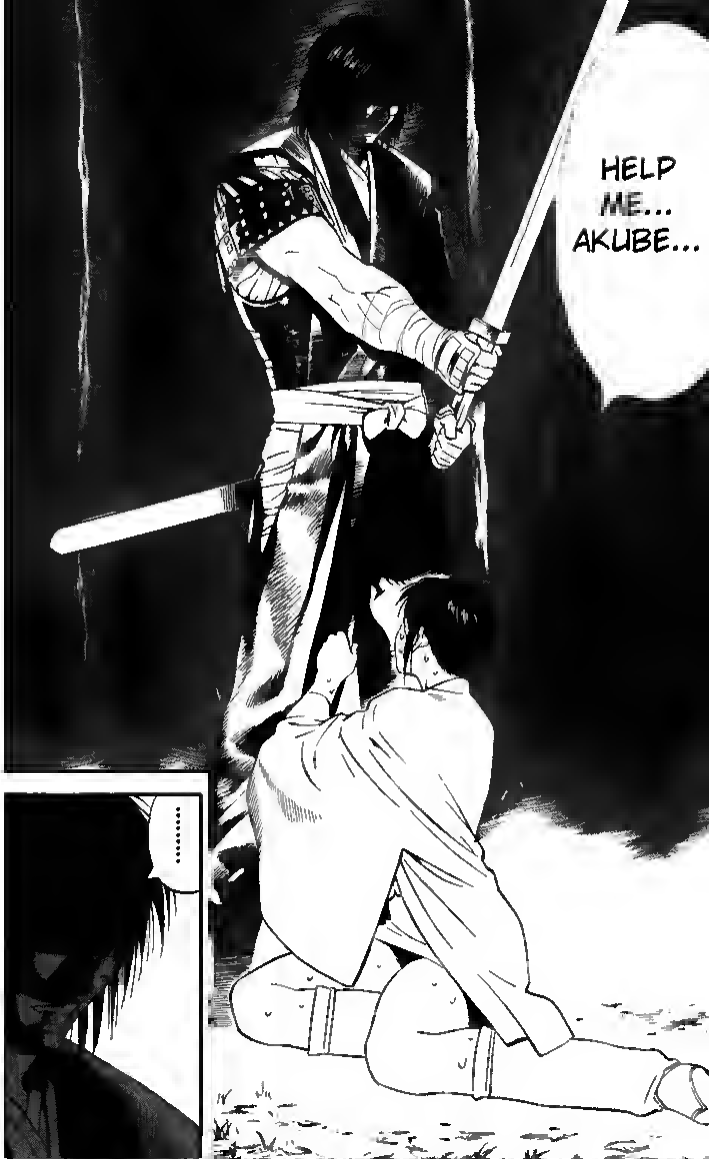
I...
A...AKUBE...
ROAR
GRRRR!
YOU ARE GOING TO PAY FOR THIS!!!
GRAB

TOMOE, CLOSE YOUR EYES...
Wobble
Wobble
YOU SHOULDN'T SEE... I'M GOING TO....
...CUT THIS MAN UP...


ME TOO!


I FEEL I'M GOING TO GO CRAZY..
I ALMOST KILLED YOSHINAKA AND I MURDERED AOI...
KILL ME!
WITH YOUR SWORD!

I TOOK YOUR BROTHER'S LIFE, AKUBE!
AND OF OTHER SOLDIERS...
I SHOULD HAVE DIED...
...DURING THE AWAZU BATTLE...*
I DON'T DESERVE TO LIVE! AKUBE!
I'M WORSE THAN THE MASK CLAN!
TURN
*DURING THE AWAZU BATTLE (1184) YOSHINAKA AND TOMOE WERE SEPARATED BY DEATH.
I'M A MONSTER, SO KILL ME, AKUBE!
GRAB
REDUCE TO NAUGHT- THIS SOUL I WANT NO MORE!
KILL ME!!!


HELP ME... AKUBE...
.....

TOMOE... TILL NOW IT HAS BEEN YOU WHO HAS HELPED ME...
ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS ANYWAY...
YOU ARE ALL GOING TO KICK THE BUCKET!!!
WHAT!!
AHAAA!!!
CLASH
SWISH
Raise

DIE!!!
METAL SOUND
GWA!
MAKING A DENT

SLICE
Surprise

IMPACT

GWAAAA
!!!!
FFFF
HA...
A...AKUBE...
FALL
...YOU ARE EXHAUSTED... I'LL FINISH YOU OFF!
BUT...
YOU ARE IMPRESSIVE, AKUBE...

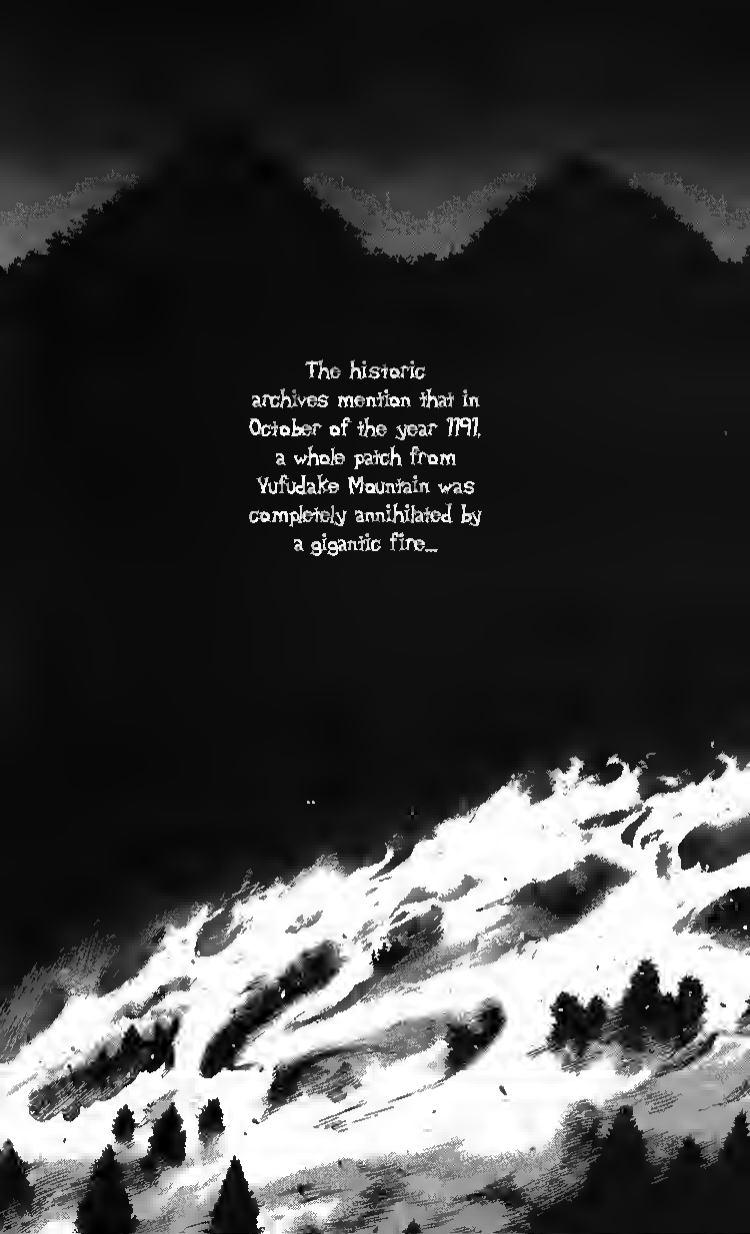
SMACk
!!
OH!
BINGO!
KA-BOOM
ABOUT TIME..
WHOOO !!
EXPLOSIVE BALLS !!!

RHAAAA !!!
YO...
TOMOE...

.....
LET'S HURRY BEFORE THE FIRE SURROUNDS US..
HE'S STILL BREATHING...
FAREWELL...
LORD YOSHINAKA...

CRACKLE
CRACKLE
DRIP
NO!!
I DON'T WANT FOR IT TO END THAT WAY...
HIT
NO...
NO!
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO DIE?!
I LOVED YOU SO MUCH!!! I LOVED YOU SO MUCH!!!
WHY...
STAY WITHIN ME...
LET'S STAY TOGETHER TILL THE END OF TIME...

コ
Crackle
AOI!!!
オオ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archives mention that in
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a whole patch from
Yufudake Mountain was
completely annihilated by
a gigantic fire...

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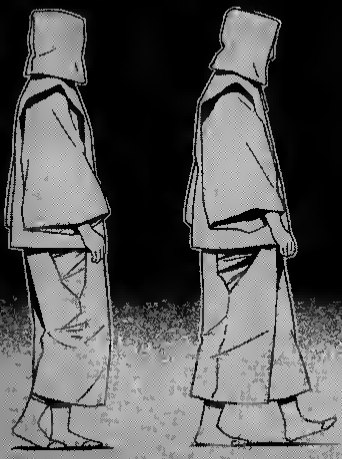

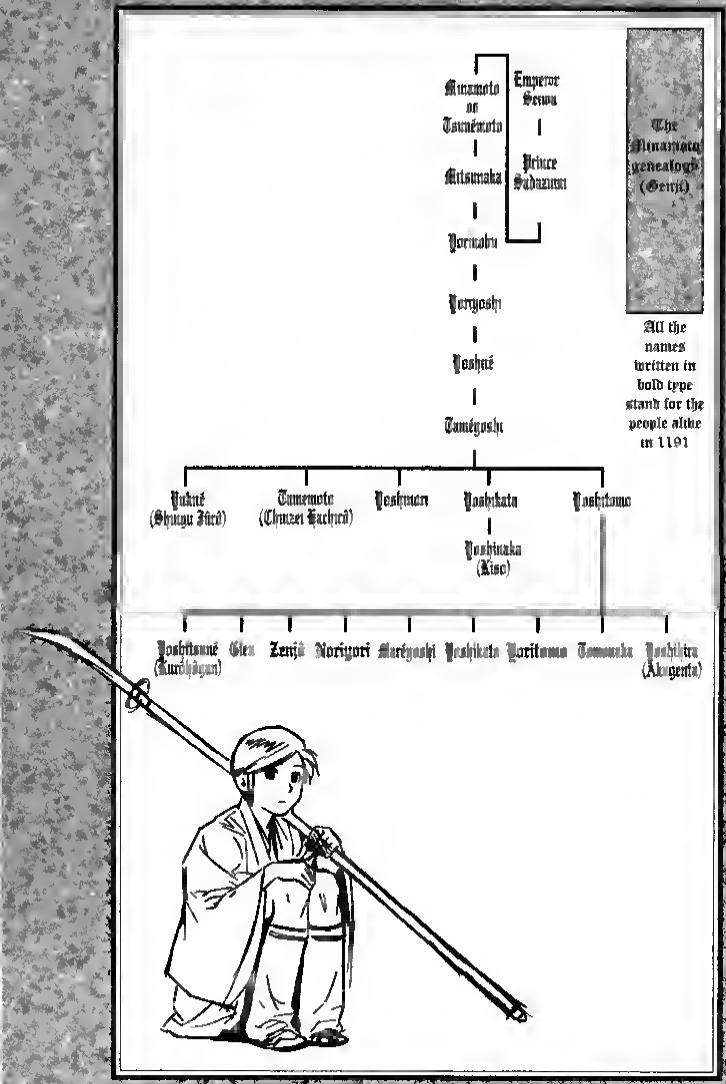
Minamoto no Tsunémoto
Emperor Seiwa
Mitsunaka
Prince Sadazumi
Yorinobu
Yoriyoshi
Yoshié
Tamégoshi
The Minamoto genealogy (Genji)
All the names written in bold type stand for the people alive in 1191
Yukié (Shingu Jiro)
Tamemoto (Chinzei Hachiro)
Yoshimori
Yoshikata
Yoshitomo
Yoshitsuné (Kurohogan)
Gen
Zenjé
Noriyori
Moriyoshi
Yoshikata
Yoritomo
Tomonaka
Yoshikiyo (Akugenta)

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